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BIRTHS.

On the 23rd December, 1871, at her residence, Maryville, Hunter's Hill, the wife of EDWARD GERARD, of a daughter.

On the 31st December, 1871, at Avoca, Randwick, the wife of F. J. HEALY, Esq., of a son.

MARRIAGE.

On the 22nd December, 1871, at All Saints' Church, Bathurst, by the Rev. Dr. Clay, CHARLES EDWARD PILCHER, youngest son of the late Henry Incledon Pilcher, Esq., of Maitland, to MARIA, eldest daughter of JOHN M'PHILLAMY, Esq., of Mount Tamar, Bathurst.

DEATHS.

On the 19th December, 1871, at Fiji, of acute dysentry, Mr. ABEL H. COHEN, of London (brother of Mr. Elias Cohen, of this city), aged 31 years.

On the 2nd instant, at the residence of her parents, Botany Road, Waterloo, of effusion of the brain, AMY BEATRICE, the beloved infant daughter of M. GEORGE and ELIZABETH THOMSON, aged11 months and 16 days.

On the 2nd instant, at her residence, River View Cottage, Barwon, ANNE MARY FRASER, youngest daughter of the late Henry Linden, and beloved wife of Hugh J. Fraser.

SHIPPING.

UNITED STATES, NEW ZEALAND, AND AUSTRALIAN MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.
Under Contract for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mail.

The following splendid A1 side-wheel Steamships will be dispatched for SAN FRANCISCO, viz:—

NEBRASKA,	2143	tons register,	800 horse-power
NEVADA,	2140	" "	800 "
DACOTAH,	2340	" "	800 "

The NEBRASKA, Isaac Harding, commander, will be dispatched from AUCKLAND, on the 24th January.

SHIPPERS of WOOL AND OTHER PRODUCE are hereby notified that arrangements can be made for delivery of Goods either at SAN FRANCISCO or NEW YORK.

For rates of passage, freight, and all further particulars, apply to

WILLIAM LAIDLEY and CO.,
Lloyd's-chambers, George-street.

N.B.—An experienced Surgeon accompanies each steamship.

THE C. AND R. R. S. N. CO.'S STEAMSHIPS.

TO GRAFTON, CLARENCE RIVER, via NEWCASTLE.—The AGNES IRVING, THIS NIGHT, WEDNESDAY, at 10; detained at the request of passengers and shippers.

TO MACLEAY RIVER, via PORT MACQUARIE, taking cargo for the Bellenger and Nambucca Rivers (to be transhipped), the DIAMANTINA, forty-eight hours after arrival.

W. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

Sussex-street.

C. AND N. E. S. N. COMPANY'S STEAMSHIP NEW ENGLAND, for GRAFTON, via NEWCASTLE, THIS DAY, at 9 p.m.

Offices—Commercial Wf. C. WISEMAN, Manager.

HUNTER RIVER N. S. N. CO.—STEAM TO NEWCASTLE, MORPETH, &c.

THIS (Wednesday) NIGHT, at 11, the MAITLAND.

On THURSDAY NIGHT, at 11, the MORPETH.

PASSENGERS for CLARENCE TOWN will be conveyed THIS (Wednesday) NIGHT, per MAITLAND.

F. J. THOMAS, Manager.

Offices—foot of Market-street.

THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMSHIPS.

TO MELBOURNE (Calling at Twofold Bay).—Rangatira, this afternoon, Wednesday, at 4.30. Fares: Saloon at current rates.

TO AUCKLAND.—City of Adelaide, on or about Saturday, 20th instant, at 2 p.m.

TO HUNTER RIVER.—Collaroy, to-morrow morning, Thursday, at 7; and Coonambra, Friday night, at 11. Goods for Martin's Wharf, Miller's Forest, forwarded per Collaroy, to-morrow morning.

TO BRISBANE.—City of Brisbane, Friday afternoon, at 5.

TO MARYBOROUGH.—James Paterson, this afternoon, Wednesday, at 5.

TO ROCKHAMPTON via Maryborough.—James Paterson, this afternoon, Wednesday, at 5.

TO CLEVELAND BAY via Port Denison.—Boomerang, on or about Friday, 12th instant, at 5 p.m.

CARGO is now being received for transmission to any of the above ports.

NO CARGO received for the steamers going to Melbourne or Queensland after 3 p.m. on their day of sailing.

FREDK. H. TROUTON, Manager.

A. S. N. Co.'s Wharf, Sussex-street.

STEAM TO MELBOURNE.
REGULAR COMMUNICATION.

The MELBOURNE STEAMSHIP COMPANY will dispatch the following steamer, viz.:—

MACEDON,
TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, January 4th,
at 12 o'clock noon.

FARES:

SALOON (single) £3 10 0
Ditto (return) 6 0 0

THE SALOON IS AMIDSHIPS.

RETURN TICKETS available for TWO MONTHS.

The attention of second-class passengers is directed to the accommodation provided in the above vessel, with enclosed cabins for females and families.

NOTICE.—No cargo will be received after 11 o'clock a.m. on THE DAY OF SAILING.

WM. HOWARD SMITH, Struth's Wharf.

STEAM FOR NEW ZEALAND.

The fine powerful steamship
HERO,
850 tons register, 300-horse power,
Thomas Logan, commander,
will leave Grafton Wharf
FOR AUCKLAND DIRECT,
on SATURDAY, 6th January, at 4 p.m.

PASSENGERS and CARGO booked through to ALL THE SOUTHERN PORTS.

GOODS RECEIVED FREE OF WHARFAGE.

SHIPPING ORDERS required.

Accommodation for HORSES or CATTLE.

ELDRED and SPENCE, 62, Margaret-street.

STEAM TO QUEENSLAND.

The regular trading steamship
BLACKBIRD, 1000 tons,
J. Turrance, commander,
will be dispatched from the Grafton Wharf, on TUESDAY, the 9th January, at 6 p.m., for
BRISBANE,
GLADSTONE, and
ROCKHAMPTON,
taking passengers and cargo at
GREATLY REDUCED RATES.

For all particulars apply to
JOSEPH WARD and CO.,
237, George-street.

STEAM to HOBART TOWN.—Steamship CITY OF HOBART, from Grafton Wharf, on TUESDAY, January 9th, at 12 noon.

WILLIS, LLOYD, and CO.

FOR LONDON.
FOR WOOL AND PASSENGERS ONLY.

The magnificent and celebrated Aberdeen clipper
ABERGELDIE,
1132 tons register, will be dispatched on TUESDAY, 9th January.

Has roomy accommodation for first-class passengers, especially adapted for one or two families. Inspection invited.

For freight or passage apply to Captain FOWLER, on board, at Circular Quay;
JOHN FRAZER and CO.; or to
DANGAR, GEDYE, and CO.

Wool received at Talbot's.

FOR LONDON.
To follow the ABERGELDIE.

The magnificent clipper ship
CITY OF MADRAS,
1000 tons register, AA1 at Lloyds, and built under special survey, will be dispatched FIRST WEEK IN FEBRUARY.

Intending passengers are invited to inspect the superior accommodation of this fine ship.

For freight or passage apply to Captain HALLEY, on board, at Circular Quay; or to
JOHN FRAZER and CO.

Wool received at Talbot's.

FOR APRIL SALES.
FOR WOOL ONLY.

FOR LONDON.—The splendid clipper ship WILLIAM DUTHIE, A1 11 years, 968 tons register, D. Thomson, commander, has the whole of her dead weight and a large portion of her wool on board, and will be dispatched for the April Sales.

For rates apply to the Captain, on board, at Circular Quay; or to
YOUNG and LARK, Margaret-street.

Wool received at Talbot's.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

The SOBRAON will be dispatched in FEBRUARY.
GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO., Agents.

ILLAWARRA S. N. CO.'S STEAMERS.—TO WOLLONGONG.—Illalong, FRIDAY, at 9 p.m.
ULLADULLA.—Kiama, FRIDAY, 10 a.m.
CLYDE RIVER.—Kiama, FRIDAY, 10 a.m.
KIAMA.—Illalong, FRIDAY, at 9 p.m.
SHOALHAVEN.—Hunter, SATURDAY, 7 a.m.
MERIMBULA.—Hunter, TUESDAY, at 8 a.m.
MORUYA.—Kiama, FRIDAY, 12th instant.

TO SALOON AND STEERAGE PASSENGERS.—FOR LONDON.
The magnificent clipper ship
ALLAHABAD,
1186 tons register, AAI at Lloyds,
SAILS on SATURDAY, 20th JANUARY.

She made the passage to this port from San Francisco in the unprecedented short time of thirty-six days.

Apply to Captain CRISPIN; or WILLIS, LLOYD, and CO.

FOR LONDON via CAPE OF GOOD HOPE and ST. HELENA.—The A1 clipper ship ST. VINCENT will be dispatched from Port Adelaide in JANUARY.

Has superior accommodation for saloon and second-class passengers.

Apply to GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO.

FOR LONDON.

The magnificent new iron clipper ship
CAIRNSMORE,
1074 tons register, James Kewley, commander.

This vessel has just returned, having accomplished the round voyage to San Francisco and back in the remarkably short space of 4 months. Before commencing to load she will be docked for the purpose of having her bottom cleaned and painted.

For freight or passage apply to Captain KEWLEY, on board; or
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS FOR LONDON.

The PARRAMATTA will sail on the 5th February, 1872.

N.B.—As Saloon passengers are now taken exclusive of wines, &c., a considerable reduction has been made in previous rates.

GILCHRIST, WATT, and CO., Agents.

MESSRS. GREEN'S BLACKWALL LINE OF PACKETS FROM MELBOURNE TO LONDON.

The clipper ship
CLARENCE,
1300 tons register, H. T. Gibson, commander, will sail on 20th January.

Has superior accommodation for passengers in all classes.

Rates of passage .. .. £16 and upwards.

For all particulars apply to
WILLIAM LAIDLEY and CO.,
Lloyd's-chambers.

FOR HONGKONG.—The clipper ship SCHIEDAM, 800 tons burthen, being under charter, will be dispatched from NEWCASTLE, in all THIS MONTH.

For light freight or passage apply to
WILLIAM LAIDLEY and CO., Lloyd's-chambers.

FOR HONGKONG.

The ship ONWARD, 686 tons register,
Captain WILLIAM WHYTE.

This regular trader will be dispatched in January.

For freight or passage apply to
SMITH, BROTHERS, and CO.

FOR HONGKONG.

For light freight and passengers only.

The first-class clipper barque
MADURA,
(newly coppered) 480 tons, Henry Brinton, commander, will be dispatched in a few days.

For freight or passage apply to
LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

CANADIENNE, for HONGKONG.

Will Sail positively next WEDNESDAY.

INTENDING CHINESE PASSENGERS are invited to inspect the superior accommodation of this fine ship.

For light freight and all other particulars, apply on board, at Parbury's Wharf; or to
WILLIAM LAIDLEY and CO.,
Lloyd's-chambers.

FOR LEVUKA, TAVIUNI, and SAVU SAVU BAY.—The regular trader clipper barque NORMAN, having been detained at the request of shippers, will clear at the Customs, on FRIDAY, and go to sea on SATURDAY, the 6th instant, at daylight.

Shippers will please complete shipments, and send in Bills of Lading at once.

The above vessel offers superior accommodation to cabin passengers.

T. and J. SKINNER,
18, Macquarie-place.

FOR LEVUKA, FIJI, and FRIENDLY ISLANDS.—The clipper barque RECONNAISSANCE, P. Watson, master, is now receiving cargo at the GRAFTON WHARF, and will positively be dispatched on the 3rd of January.

For freight or passage apply to
RABONE, FREEZ, and CO., Wynyard-street.

FOR LEVUKA, FIJI, and FRIENDLY ISLANDS.—The clipper barque RECONNAISSANCE, P. Watson, master. All CARGO must be down THIS DAY. Passengers please pay balance of passage money, and shippers to send in bills of lading for signature.

RABONE, FREEZ, and CO.

FOR LEVUKA, FIJI ISLANDS.—The clipper barque METROR, G. Oliver, master, will be dispatched on the 15th January.

For freight or passage apply to
RABONE, FREEZ, and CO.
Wynyard-street.

FOR LEVUKA.—The fast-sailing schooner SARAH PILE, Skinner, master, will have quick dispatch.

For freight or passage apply to
E. VICKERY, 116, Pitt-street.

CIRCULAR SAW LINE OF PACKETS.

FOR AUCKLAND,
the favourite regular trader
ALICE CAMERON, P. Carter, commander,
is now fast loading, and having a large portion of her cargo engaged, will be quickly dispatched.

For freight or passage apply on board, at the Patent Slip Wharf; or to
WILLIAM LAIDLEY and CO.,
Lloyd's chambers.

N.B.—Goods received for this vessel free of wharfage.

FOR ADELAIDE,
The Brig DERWENT,
Captain Champion.

For freight apply to
THOS. NOSSITER and CO.,
62, New Pitt-street.

FOR CLEVELAND BAY.—The clipper schooner AGNES, having nearly all her cargo ready, will be dispatched on THURSDAY next from the Market Wharf. For freight, &c., apply to J. A. BROWN, 21, Bridge-st.

FIRST VESSEL for CLEVELAND BAY and BOWEN.—The new clipper, MARQUIS OF LORNE, 90 tons burthen, loading at Commercial Wharf, will have quick dispatch. For freight, &c., &c., apply to J. L. HAYNES, 6, King-street West.

RICHMOND RIVER, CORAKI, and LISMORE.—WALLABY now receiving cargo Baltic Wharf.

COLLINGWOOD, for NEWCASTLE. For freight apply to J. E. DAMON, on board, Campbell's Wharf.

KIAMA.—PERI, THIS EVENING, from Caledonian Wharf. F. NUTTER, Agent.

SHELLHARBOUR.—Peterborough Lass, THIS DAY, at noon; freight paid in Sydney. S. NUTTER.

TONNAGE required for Western Australia, China, and Singapore. HENRY FISHER and CO.

FOR SALE.—The schooner GEM, 100 tons register, her carrying capabilities being about 160 tons, on light draught of water, in good order, and now ready for sea. For particulars apply to

M. R. MURNIN.

Sydney, 12th December, 1871.

BARQUE MADURA, for HONGKONG.—All ACCOUNTS against this vessel must be rendered in duplicate at the office of the undersigned by THURSDAY, the 4th instant, at noon, or they will not be recognised.

LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

SHIP CAIRNSMORE, from San Francisco.—Captain Kewley will not be responsible for any DEBTS contracted by his crew without his written authority.

LEARMONTH, DICKINSON, and CO.

ST. LEONARD'S CHRIST'S CHURCH ORGAN FUND.

There will be a SALE of WORK in aid of the above TO-MORROW (Thursday), commencing at 1 o'clock, in the house adjoining the Steam Saw Mills, Milson's Point Road. A variety of goods for children.

PERSONS ADVERTISED FOR.

CHURCHILL MACLEAN can obtain information as to a LEGACY that has been left to him, by communicating with DAINTREY and CHAPMAN, Solicitors, 101, Elizabeth-street.

CHARLES HAWKINS, of Portsmouth.—Any information of the above will be thankfully received by W. COCHRAN, 64, Market-street.

F. GASKILL.—Important Letters for you in Post Office, Bathurst, Sydney, and Cohen's. Reply at once. W. E.

IF GEORGE PILKINGTON, formerly of Thorne, in the county of York, England, who is supposed to have sailed for Sydney, Australia, in the barque Northumberland, in 1862, and then gave an address at Gore and Co., Sydney, afterwards merged in the firm Dalgety, Cruickshank, and Co., will apply to the undersigned, he will hear of something to his advantage.

Any person who can give the present address of the above-named GEORGE PILKINGTON, or furnish evidence of his death, will please communicate with WILLIAM H. GOY, Solicitor, Barton-on-Humber.

September, 1871.

JOHN SIDDELL, from Rockhampton, send address to your brother, Edward Siddell, 92, Sussex-st., Sydney.

WALTER PRICE (late of Chilton, Shropshire) is earnestly requested to write at once to his Sister, Miss GERTRUDE PRICE, West Bank, Rochdale, Lancashire. She has good news to communicate.

MEETINGS.

ORDER OF LOYAL AUSTRALIAN BENEFIT SOCIETY, PRINCE ALFRED LODGE.

A Special General MEETING will be held in the Masonic Hall, THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, 3rd instant, at 8 o'clock. Business—Installation of Officers.

By order of the W.M.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

The Monthly MEETING of the Council will be held at the Society's Rooms, THIS DAY, 3rd instant, at 11 a.m.

JULES JOUBERT, Secretary.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

In accordance with Rule 16, and in compliance with a requisition signed by ten duly qualified members of the society, a Special General MEETING of the Society will be held at the Rooms, 227, George-street, Sydney, THIS DAY, the 3rd of January, 1872, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of filling up vacancies in the Council of the Society, created by election of the Hon. Sir William Macarthur as Vice-President; the resignation of Mr. J. J. Riley, Penrith, and Mr. F. Reynolds, Tocal; and for the appointment of an Auditor in the room of Mr. B. Buchanan, resigned.

JULES JOUBERT, Secretary.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

VACANCIES IN THE COUNCIL—(Rule 18).

The following members have been duly nominated (in accordance with By-law 7), viz.:—

W. F. BUCHANAN, Esq., Macquarie Fields
THOS. CADELL, Esq., Pitt-street
I. K. CLEVE, Esq., Bungarrabbee
W. H. CATLEY, Esq., Burwood
F. C. CURTIS, Esq., Sydney
JAS. DEVLIN, junior, Esq., Sydney
A. H. M'CULLOCH, junior, Esq., Sydney
T. H. SMITH, Esq., Clarence River
G. F. WANT, Esq., Sydney.

The election of THREE members from the above will take place at the Special General MEETING on the 3rd of January, 1872, at 3 p.m., as provided for in Rule 6.

JULES JOUBERT,
Secretary.

ST. PAUL'S LITERARY ASSOCIATION.—Half-yearly MEETING, TO-NIGHT. Members are requested to attend.

R. LEARY, Secretary.

MEMBERS of new Lodge in Balmain meet at School of Arts, THIS EVENING, half-past 7.

MASONIC.—Mark Master's Lodge, No. 25, Meeting, This Evening, 7.30 sharp. Installation, Advancuts.

NEW SOUTH WALES CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

Committee MEETING, THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, Tattersall's Hotel, at 8 o'clock.

Business in connection with Intercolonial Match.

WILLIAM CLARK, Hon. Sec.

A NEW ORANGE LODGE will be opened at the School of Arts, Balmain, THIS EVENING, January 3, at half-past 7 o'clock. Members of other Lodges are respectfully invited. A steamer will be in waiting at the Erskine-street Wharf, to convey passengers to the Bay for the convenience of the Sydney Brethren.

J. C. HICKSON, Secretary.

49, L. O. L.—A Special MEETING will be held THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, at 8 o'clock, in the Lodge-room, Bourke-street. Business—Election and Installation of Officers. Every member to attend. By order of the W. M.

ST. MARY'S LITERARY ASSOCIATION.—The Annual MEETING of the above Society will be held in ST. MARY'S SEMINARY, THIS EVENING, at 8 o'clock. Gentlemen who may feel interested are respectfully invited to attend.

JOHN C. ELLWOOD, Hon. Sec.

THE LAND LEAGUE OF NEW SOUTH WALES will hold a Public MEETING, at Punch's, Pitt and King streets, THIS EVENING, at 8 o'clock, for the adoption of an Address. W. J. COX, Hon. Secretary.

LAY CATHOLIC PROTECTION SOCIETY.—The members of No. 4 Branch, will attend the weekly MEETING, at 408, Pitt-street, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd instant, at 8 p.m. Members will please produce their cards of membership.

MICHAEL TAYLOR, Hon. Sec.

NO SURRENDER, No. 4 L.O.L.—The Monthly MEETING of this Lodge will be held in the Chapel, Kent-street, THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, at 7.30 p.m. Every member expected to attend.

By order of the W.M.,
E. DAVIS, Secretary.

TEMPERANCE HALL.—A Temperance MEETING This Evening, in the Upper Room, at 8 o'clock.

ST. ANDREW'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.—Special MEETING, TO-NIGHT, Temperance Hall. Important business. Members will please attend, 8 p.m. sharp.

GEORGE W. NICOLL, Secretary.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—The Monthly MEETING of the above Society, for the Exhibition of Plants and the Reading of Essays, will be held in the Oddfellows' Hall, Elizabeth-street, THIS EVENING, Wednesday. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock.

JNO. GELDING, Hon. Secretary.

MASONIC.—LEINSTER MARINE LODGE 265, I.C.—Emergency THIS EVENING, 7.30.

NO. 58 L. O. L. will MEET, THIS EVENING, in the Presbyterian Schoolroom (side passage), at 8 sharp. Election of delegates and committee, and instal officers. Every member is requested to attend.

STARR-BOWKETT BUILDING SOCIETY, No. 2.

BALLOT, THIS EVENING, at 8 o'clock.

New Shares may be allotted and participate in the ballots on application from 10 till 5.

A Special MEETING, convened pursuant to 25th Rule, will take place at 8 THIS EVENING.

By order,
T. MILLER, Secretary.

VOLUNTEER NOTICES.

10 BATTERY.—Company DRILL, Hyde Park, THIS EVENING, half-past 7, with carbines.
JOHN MACDONALD, Jun., Captain.

ENGINEER CORPS.—Company DRILL, To-Night, Vic. Barracks,; Com. Meeting after. E. O. Moriarty.

NO. 1 CO. S. B.—COMMITTEE to meet at Brigade Office THIS DAY, 4.30 p.m. Bayonet exercise. See Battalion advertisement. No company drill during January. JOHN WELLS, Captain.

CAUTION.—The public are hereby cautioned not to give credit to any person whatsoever in my name, as I will not be responsible for the same.

GEORGE SMITH, Comber-street, Paddington.

NORTH SHORE.—£3 REWARD will be paid by the undersigned upon conviction of the parties who took away and damaged my gates on the night of Sunday, 31st December.

W. TUCKER, Clifton, North Shore.

L. O. INSTITUTION.—Excursion to Glenfield on Boxing-Day.—All ACCOUNTS against the above must be sent in without delay, addressed to the Secretary W. H. DAVIES, No. 1, Park-street.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NEW GUINEA PROSPECTING EXPEDITION.

The Committee of the above Association have determined to delay the day of sailing, until the 10th instant. The number now required to complete the Expedition is fifteen. As the vessel will positively sail on the 10th, those who intend to join are requested to do so at once, to enable the Committee to make their final arrangements. The vessel is now fitted up and ready for sea. For particulars apply to the Secretary, who will attend from 10 till 4 daily, at Committee Rooms, Punch's Hotel. The Committee meet every evening, at 8.

PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

I have, THIS DAY, admitted Mr. ALFRED LAMB as a PARTNER in the business hitherto carried on by me, under the name of PARBURY, BROTHERS.

The future style of the firm will be PARBURY, LAMB, and CO.,

CHARLES PARBURY.
By his attorney, ALFRED LAMB.

Sydney, 1st January, 1872.

NOTICE.—The PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing between the undersigned, trading as HINTON, BROTHERS, General Storekeepers and Importers, New South Wales and Queensland, has this day between DISSOLVED by mutual consent.

JOHN V. HINTON.
JAMES HINTON.
WILLIAM H. HINTON.

96, New Pitt-street, Sydney, December 28, 1871.

The business of the late firm will be continued by Mr. JOHN V. HINTON and Mr. JAMES HINTON, who will receive and payfall accounts due to and by the said firm.

AUSTRALIAN BONDED AND FREE STORES.

ALL ACCOUNTS against the proprietors of the Australian Bonded and Free Stores up to this date, are requested to be sent in without delay for adjustment.

30th December, 1871.

T. AND A. CADELL,
Auctioneers,
Woolbrokers, Stock and Station, Land and Estate Agents,
West Maitland,
and
183, Pitt-street, Sydney.

Established 12 years in Maitland.

AUSTRALIAN BONDED AND FREE STORES.

We have this day sold and transferred all our interest in the AUSTRALIAN BONDED AND FREE STORES to Mr. JOHN LEVIEN, who will in future take the management of same, and trust that he will continue to receive the same support that has hitherto been accorded to us.

(Signed) MONTEFIORE, JOSEPH, and CO.
JOHN FRAZER and CO.

Sydney, 30th December, 1871.

AUSTRALIAN BONDED AND FREE STORES.

The undersigned having from this day assumed the proprietorship and management of the above very CENTRAL and COMMODIOUS STORES, begs to solicit from IMPORTERS, MERCHANTS, and others the same liberal support that has hitherto been accorded to the former proprietors. The management will hereafter be conducted with the greatest care and attention to the requirements of customers, and all communications addressed to the undersigned will meet with his immediate attention.

JNO. LEVIEN.

December 30, 1871.

WE HAVE, THIS DAY, admitted Mr. CHARLES HARPER as a PARTNER in our business, which will continue to be carried on in the name or style of FORD, ADAMS, and CO.

FORD, ADAMS, and CO.

Sydney, 1st January, 1872.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN,
STOCK and STATION AGENTS,
WOOLBROKERS, AUCTIONEERS,
and
CATTLE SALESMEN,
WOOL STORES—Circular Quay.
SALE YARDS—Pullinger's, Homebush, and Sydney.
OFFICES—Bell's-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney.

ENGLISH AGENCY.—The undersigned, established in London upwards of twenty years, confine themselves exclusively to a General Commission Business, are well acquainted with Australian requirements, and possess special facilities for purchasing goods to the best advantage in the English markets.

Indents should be accompanied by cash remittances, or bank letters of credit, to insure full trade discounts. Account sales of produce under consignment rendered promptly, and net proceeds invested to order, every attention being devoted to the eligible shipment and insurance of all goods passing through their hands.

B. S. LLOYD and CO., 3, George Yard, Lombard-street, London.

References—Messrs. G. A. Lloyd and Co.

WAVERLEY AND WOOLLAHRA UNITED 'BUS CO.

Waverley, 3d; Waverley, 3d; Waverley, 3d.

All children above five years full fare. The above Co.'s 'buses will leave Waverley every ten minutes, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and from Macquarie-place 8.50 a.m. to 9 p.m. A late 'bus will leave Waverley at 9 p.m., and from theatres after the performance. Fare, 6d.

JOHN O'DOWD, Manager.

WE have REMOVED to our NEW and EXTENSIVE PREMISES, Nos. 159 and 161, Pitt-street North, where all communications are to be addressed.

HOPKINS and CO.,
British and Foreign, Fancy and General Warehousemen, Wholesale Jewellers and Importers.

LETTERS or TELEGRAMS for the undersigned should be addressed to the Royal Hotel, Sydney.

W. ROWE, from Auckland, New Zealand.

January 2nd, 1872.

NOTICE to OMNIBUS COMPANIES.—The undersigned is ready to execute any orders for Ornamenting and Gilding of Omnibuses, &c. A. TORNING, Banner, Herald, and Sign Painter, 52, Hunter-street.

NOTICE.—I beg to state that the undersigned is NOT the person named in the police report of yesterday as having been fined for indecent behaviour in Brown Bear-lane. ALEXANDER THOMSON, Builder, 148, Burton-street, Darlinghurst.

LOST AND FOUND.

LEFT, in a 'bus, on the 1st, Child's WATERPROOF. Reward on returning to 149, Clarence-street.

LOST, last Saturday, a plaited Grass CIGAR CASE. Reward at BIDDELL, BROTHERS'.

LOST, a Gold BARRING. The finder, on leaving it at Dunn's Coffee-house, Sussex-st., will receive 4s.

LOST, from Undercliff, Cook's River, an Italian Greyhound SLUT. If strayed, £1 reward on return; if stolen, £5 reward for evidence to convict the thief.

LOST, on New Year's Day, on board steamer Hunter, from Clontarf, a Green Leather PURSE, containing cheque (payment stopped) and sum of money. Reward on delivery to H. BUTLER, Park and Castlereagh streets.

LOST, on the evening of the 28th December, a white checked FANNIER, trimmed with black; supposed to be left in a cab. Reward given. 495, George-street.

LOST, at Manly Beach, a Gold BROOCH, with a red stone in the middle. The finder will be handsomely rewarded on bringing the same to G. BUCKLEY'S, Ultimo-street, Haymarket.

NOTICE to PAWNBROKERS and others.—LOST, on Sunday, at the Cook's River Dam, pair short-sighted EYE-GLASSES and fine Gold Chain. Reward at Pawn Office, Newtown.

FOUND, a Carrier PIGEON. Apply 359, Crown-street, Surry Hills.

FOUND, a WATCH and CHAIN, at Manly Beach, on Boxing-Day. Apply 157, Lower George-street.

10s. REWARD.—Lost or Stolen, from 68, Newtown Road, black and tan Terrier SLUT, ears and tail cut.

TEN SHILLINGS REWARD.—Lost, in Druitt-street, near Hancock's Hotel, a Gold RING, set with rubies. The finder will please apply 50, Druitt-street.

£1 REWARD.—LOST, on Sunday night, between the Circular Quay and Phillip-street, a gold Cameo BROOCH, with Portrait. Mr. JOHNSON, Tasmanian Telegraph Hotel, Circular Quay.

ALARMING SACRIFICE.—Startling Reduction.—First-class Photos, 5s dozen. J. Yates, 432, George-st.

JOHN T. GOBUS, Photographer, 100, King-street, near Pitt-street, Sydney.

J. H. NEWMAN, Photographer, was awarded the ONLY PRIZE MEDAL for photographs at the late Intercolonial Exhibition. 13, South Head Road, close to Hyde Park. No connection with any other house.

REMOVAL.—J. DEGOTARDI, Artist Photographer, Removed to 346, George-street, near Mr. Flavelle's.

PUBLICATIONS.

EARLY IN JANUARY will be published the TITLE and INDEX to the volume of the SYDNEY MAIL for 1871. Subscribers who require copies of the above for binding can have them by applying at the publishing office, Hunter-street; or to the Agents in town and country.

MY FIRST MUSIC LESSON.

With the next issue of the SYDNEY MAIL will be presented a large-sized ENGRAVING representing the above work of art.

THE SYDNEY MAIL of SATURDAY next, January 6th, will contain the commencement of a new story,

BLADE-O'-GRASS,
by B. L. Farjeon, author of "Grif," and "Joshua Marvel." The sole right of the publication of this story has been secured for the SYDNEY MAIL.

TALES IN THE SYDNEY MAIL.

BLADE-O'-GRASS
MISS OR MRS.?
CALEB THORNTON
FALLEN BY THE WAY.

PULPIT NEWS.—SERMON by Rev. Mr. Moran, Ryde; leaders, gleaner, musings, original poetry. Children's corner, Sunday-school, news of churches, miscellany, &c., &c. GEORGE LOXTON and CO., 42, New Pitt-street.

MEETINGS OF PUBLIC COMPANIES.

THE AUSTRALIAN JOINT STOCK BANK.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Half-yearly General MEETING of the Proprietors will be held at the Banking-house, in George-street, Sydney, on WEDNESDAY, 24th January instant, at NOON, to receive the Report of the Board of Management for the half-year ended 31st December; to elect THREE DIRECTORS in the room of

WILLIAM MOFFITT, Esq.
EDWARD LORD, Esq.
EDWIN T. BEILBY, Esq.

who retire by rotation, any two of whom are eligible for re-election; to elect TWO AUDITORS for the ensuing year; and to transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting in terms of the Deed of Settlement.

By order of the Board,
VINCENT W. GIBLIN,
General Manager.

Sydney, 2nd January, 1872.

Pursuant to clause XXXVI. of the Deed of Settlement, every candidate for the office of Director is required to give notice thereof in writing, to be left at the Banking-house, in Sydney, at least fourteen days before the day of election. The latest day for receiving notice will be TUESDAY next, 10th January.

TIPPETT'S GOLD MINING COMPANY (Limited).—A General MEETING, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 14, Hunter-street, Sydney, THIS DAY, 3rd instant, at 4 p.m.

Business: To adopt and sign Deed of Settlement.

FRANK B. TREATT, Legal Manager.

EVENING STAR, G. M. Co.—Special MEETING of Shareholders, THIS AFTERNOON, at 4.30, Royal Hotel, to meet Mining Manager.

JOHN KINLOCH, Secretary.

THE GREAT WESTERN UNDAUNTED GOLD MINING COMPANY (LIMITED), TAMBAROORA.

I hereby (in accordance with a requisition made to me in writing, signed by the four directors of the Great Western Undaunted Gold Mining Company, limited) call a Special MEETING of the said company, to take place at the office of the Company, Greville's Room, on TUESDAY, the 9th January, 1872, at 11 o'clock precisely.

BUSINESS.—To consider the advisability of altering the 3rd clause of the company's deed of settlement, constituting thereby five directors instead of four as now provided.

E. EMMETT,
Legal Manager.

THE GREAT WESTERN UNDAUNTED GOLD MINING COMPANY (LIMITED), TAMBAROORA.

NOTICE.—The half-yearly general MEETING of the Shareholders of the above company will take place at the Office of the Company, Greville's Room, on THURSDAY, the 11th day of January, 1872, at 4 o'clock precisely.

BUSINESS.—The appointment of two Directors in lieu of two who retire, but who are eligible for re-election; and the appointment of two Auditors in lieu of Samuel Bennett and Samuel Lyons, Esqs.

E. EMMETT,
Manager.

Sydney, 3rd January, 1872.

MONITOR GOLD MINING COMPANY, Vere's Lease, Hawkins Hill.—Shareholders and intending shareholders are requested to attend a MEETING, on THURSDAY EVENING next, at 7.30 p.m., at Griffiths's, Belmore Hotel, Circular Quay.

By order of the Secretary.

GOLDEN BELT GOLD-MINING COMPANY, EMILY REEF, TAMBAROORA (Limited).

A General MEETING of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's office, 227, George-street, on TUESDAY next, the 9th instant, at half-past 2 o'clock, to receive report and balance sheet for the half-year ending 31st December.

SAMUEL LYONS, Legal Manager.

RELIGIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ANNUAL MEETINGS FOR UNITED PRAYER.—The following Meetings for UNITED PRAYER will be held in Sydney during next week, when brief addresses will be delivered on the subjects for prayer. Each meeting (except the Communion service) to commence at half-past 7. The pastor of each church in which the meeting is being held will preside.

MONDAY, January 8.—York-street Wesleyan Church. Rev. J. GREENWOOD will address. Subject: "Thanksgiving—God's 'unspeakable gifts;' for mercies personal and relative; for national mercies; for the establishment of peace, and restoration of peace, and for preservation from famine, and other national calamities; for mercies to the Christian Church; for the progress of Christ's kingdom and the usefulness of the Christian ministry."

TUESDAY, January 9.—St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church (Rev. Dr. Steel's). Rev. W. STAYNER will address.

St. Barnabas's Schoolroom. Rev. W. LUMSDAINE will address. Subject: "Humiliation—for personal and national sins, weakness of faith, disobedience and worldliness in the Church. Acknowledgment of Divine judgments, confession of unfaithfulness, and prayer for the revival of religion as in past times."

WEDNESDAY, January 10.—Phillip-street Presbyterian Church. Rev. JOHN GRAHAM will address.

Bourke-street Wesleyan Church. Rev. THOMAS JAMES will address.

Harris-street Baptist Church. Rev. J. CALDWELL will address. Subject: "Prayer (intercessory)—for families; for the sons and daughters of Christian parents at home and in other lands; also for those at school, at colleges and universities; and for all entering upon commercial or professional duties; for the increase of spiritual life in those who profess Christ; for the conversion of the unconverted, and for the sanctifying of affliction both to parents and children."

THURSDAY, January 11.—Pitt-street Congregational Church.—Rev. Canon SMITH will address.

Chippendale Wesleyan Church.—Rev. A. W. WEBB will address. Subject: "Prayer (intercessory)—for kings and all in authority; for nations, especially those recently visited with the calamities of war; for the prevalence of peace in the councils of Statesmen; for righteousness, harmony, and goodwill among all classes; for the spread of sound knowledge, and for God's blessing upon special efforts to resist the progress of infidelity, superstition, intemperance and other kinds of immorality."

FRIDAY, January 12.—United Communion (at 7) in the Bathurst-street Baptist Church. The Rev. WILLIAM CURNOW will preach.

Christian friends in the city and suburbs being regular communicants in Christian Churches are invited to the United Communion.

A Collection will be taken after the sermon, to defray expenses. Any surplus will be given to the City Mission.

ROBERT SYERS, } Joint
ALLAN W. WEBB, } Hon. Secs.

BUSINESS CARDS.

A CARD.

LEWIS BENJAMIN,
Commission Merchant,
40, Broadway,
NEW YORK.
Business Correspondence invited.

A SINGLE TOOTH, from 4s 6d. Decayed teeth extracted or filled, 1s; mouths remodelled. Repairs done. Children's teeth regulated. Toothache cured. C. EDWARDS, Surgeon-dentist, 5, Bridge-street.

A CARD.—French Glove, Boot, Hosiery, and Mercery Depot. S. H. LEWIS, 10, Hunter-street.

A CARD.—JOHN DAVIS, Western Kerosene Oil Depot,

LAW.

INSOLVENCY.

MEETINGS OF CREDITORS.

Wednesday, January 3.—Office open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during vacation.

Friday, January 5, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: Thomas Prior, first or only meeting at East Maitland; James Martin, first or only meeting at Goulburn; Samuel Aaron Phillips, first or only meeting at Wagga Wagga.

Saturday, January 6.—Holiday.

Tuesday, January 9, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: Charles Boscawen Ranclaud, first meeting at East Maitland.

Friday, January 12, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: William Thomas Woolley, first or only meeting at Tumut.

Saturday, January 13.—Holiday.

Monday, January 15.—Holiday.

Monday, January 15, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioners: James Simpson, John Simpson, and Thomas Roper, first or only meeting at Deniliquin; John M'Intosh, first or only meeting at Wagga Wagga.

Tuesday, January 16, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: Charles Boscawen Ranclaud, second at East Maitland.

Tuesday, January 23, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: Hugh Ross Coulter, first or only meeting at East Maitland; George Lamb, first or only meeting at Deniliquin; William Frost, first or only meeting at Mudgee.

Wednesday, January 24.—Holiday.

Thursday, January 25.—Holiday.

Friday, January 26.—Holiday.

Friday, January 26, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: James Knight, first or only meeting at Bathurst.

Saturday, January 27.—Holiday.

Tuesday, January 30, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: George Guest, junior, adjourned special for the examination of the insolvent at East Maitland, from the 5th December last; Robert Williamson, first or only meeting at East Maitland.

Friday, February 2, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: Jesse Tout, third meeting, at East Maitland.

Saturday, February 3.—Holiday.

Monday, February 5.—Holiday.

Tuesday, February 6, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: Joseph Matthews, first on only meeting, at Mudgee.

Wednesday, February 7, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: John Downey, first or only meeting, at Forbes.

Friday, February 9, at 11 a.m.—Before the District Commissioner: George Gough, first or only meeting, at Bathurst; John Seacombe, first or only meeting, at Grafton.

Saturday, February 10.—Vacation ends.

Monday, February 12, at 3 p.m.—At the office of Mr. Scarnell, official assignee: Estate of Samuel Terry Hughes, deceased, special for the purpose of finally accepting or rejecting an offer of composition, submitted by the administratrix of the said estate on the 18th December last.

Wednesday, February 14, at 11 a.m.—Before the Chief Commissioner: William Ringland, adjourned single from the 8th December last; in re Robert Ingall, official assignee to the account current and plan of distribution, in pursuance of order of 14th December last; John Cranny, first or only meeting; James Cranny, first or only meeting; Francis Bell, first or only meeting; William Woodbury, first or only meeting; Alexander Downie, first or only meeting; John Sinclair, first or only meeting; James Cosper, first or only meeting; William Underwood, Richard Underwood, and Joseph Underwood, trading as William Underwood and Sons, third meeting; Sydney Cohen, third meeting; George William Hoy, third meeting.

APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES.

Tuesday, February 13, at 11 a.m.—Before the Chief Commissioner: Charles Eather, Gideon Cranston, Henry John Horatio, Frederick Myers, Alexander Bourke, William Murphy, John Lancashire Harris, Edward Dalton, James Sherwood, adjourned from the 19th December last. William Robert Russell, adjourned from the 19th December last. Henry Solomon, William Greenhalgh, from the 28th December last. Henry Marshall, adjourned from the 28th December last.

COURT BUSINESS.

Thursday, February 15, at 11 a.m.—Before the Chief Commissioner: Accounts current and plans of distribution for confirmation in the following estates—1. Estate of Thomas Roberts, a first plan dividend 2s 9d per £ upon concurrent debts, and payment in full of a preferent debt. 2. Estate of Robert Hamilton Carney, a dividend of 3s. 0¾d. per £ upon concurrent debts, and payment in full of a preferent debt.

CENTRAL POLICE COURT.

TUESDAY.

BEFORE the Mayor and the Police Magistrate, with Messrs. KIPPAX, Macintosh, Levy, and Smart.

Three persons were fined for drunkenness.

Michael O'Brien was fined 41s. for endangering public safety by furiously riding a horse in King-street, on Monday afternoon.

Charles Jones appeared before the Bench on warrant to answer the charge of William Thurlow, who complained that, on the 29th December, he (defendant) did most unjustifiably and maliciously declare and threaten that he would blacken his (complainant's) eye and punch him out of the house in the morning, and prayed protection. Defendant denied having made use of the language alleged, and in support of his defence named two witnesses. His Worship said that, unless the witnesses were to prove malice on the part of the complainant, he could not hear them. Ordered to enter into a recognisance with two sureties in £20 to keep the peace twelve months, or in default of sufficient sureties to be imprisoned twelve months.

Two prisoners were discharged.

On the summons paper were twenty-two cases. Eleven defendants were fined in sums varying from 1s. to 5s., for offences against either the Drunkards Act or the Vagrant Act. The rest were either dismissed or postponed, or struck out for want of prosecution.

LICENSING BUSINESS.—The license of the Gardeners' Arms public-house, Redfern, was transferred from William Hay to George Bennett; a slaughter-house license was granted to Frederick Bar en, a pawnbroker's license to Agnes Brown; and twenty-nine persons were allowed hawkers' licenses.

WATER POLICE COURT.

TUESDAY.

BEFORE the Water Police Magistrate and Messrs. Neale and Renwick.

Twelve persons convicted of drunkenness were fined in various penalties. Alexander Thompson was fined 1s. for indecent behaviour in Brown Bear-lane. George Cartwright, in addition to being punished for drunkenness, was ordered to pay a penalty of 25s., in default seven days gaol, for wilfully damaging a police uniform jumper, the property of the New South Wales Government. William Lyde, convicted of using obscene language on Circular Quay, was fined 10s., with an alternative of four days' imprisonment. Thomas Thompson was ordered to pay a penalty of 10s., with an alternative of four days' imprisonment. John Dawson was fined for indecent conduct in William-street. Thomas Croker was ordered to pay a penalty of 10s., in default four days gaol, for riotous behaviour in Woolloomooloo. Several cases on the charge sheet were dismissed, or postponed to some future day.

SUMMONS SHEET.—There were ten cases on the summons sheet. In three the parties did not appear, and three were adjourned. The remaining cases were for wages.

LICENSING BUSINESS.—The following applicants were granted hawkers' licenses:—Samuel Israel, George Schleadt, Richard Ecclestone, Timothy Johnson, Hugh M'Veigh, Thomas Chapman, John M'Intosh, Patrick Nailan, William Fortier, Benjamin Hickinbottom, John Hardy, Thomas Naughton, Henry Hill, Jane Hill, William Wright, Solomon Solomons, Mary Lee, Horace Whaley, James Robertson, Peter Sargeant, Thomas Webster, and George Fowler. Henry Ludwell and Andrew Allen were granted auctioneers' licenses. Alfred Briggs was granted a slaughtering license. Twenty-nine steampacket license were issued to steamers plying on the inland waters.

THE NEW LAND BILL.

PUBLIC MEETING AT INVERELL.

(From the Inverell Courier, December 7.)

A MEETING of persons interested in the proposed new Land Bill, called for Thursday night, December 21, took place at the hour appointed, in the long-room of Mr. Hatcher's Royal Oak Hotel. Some twenty or thirty persons were present, the smallness of the attendance being due to the misunderstanding which had arisen as to the date of meeting, and the consequence was that those present decided to do a little business, and then adjourn till the following Friday night.

Captain Williamson, having been voted to the chair, made a few remarks as to the object of the meeting, and commented briefly on the character of the proposed new Land Bill. They had read copies of the new Land Bill, proposed as an amendment upon the present Land Law—a law which had been in force during the past ten years. Those who lived in the country knew from experience that our land laws were capable of amendment; but the bill before the country was altogether antagonistic to our ideas of amendment of them. This was but a preliminary meeting to draw up resolutions to be submitted to another. The new bill was objectionable in many ways, and the character of the resolutions required some study. Still, he thought he might take advantage of the present opportunity of pointing out the great injustice of the new bill. That bill, instead of doing away with what was objectionable in the present Land Bill by its tendency to set class against class, only aggravated the evil; for in the new bill it seemed that the main body of the people were to be sacrificed to one particular class. In reference to the prospects of the bill passing into law, he prophesied that the faction of the Government would be to postpone the consideration of the bill from month to month in order to secure, as far as possible, the exclusive votes of the squatters. He could not see why the squatting class should have the privileges which were allowed them in the new bill over the free selector, and he would ask if a word was said in the bill with regard to arbitration in cases of disputed assessment. There was last year a decrease in the land revenue of this colony of no less than £200,000; and this loss was principally due to the abuses practised in appraisements and arbitrations. He would put a stop to all this: if he could put a stop to it, he would grudge no time or trouble in the accomplishment of such a purpose. He was getting old, and the present Land Bill was good enough for his own personal wants; he had as much land as he desired; but, as a lover of justice, he thought the monopoly of the squatting classes had lasted long enough, and that it should now be stopped.

Mr. John M'Gregor then moved that the following gentlemen be appointed a committee for the purpose of drawing up resolutions for the consideration of a meeting to be held the following Friday night:—Messrs. Williamson, Armstrong, Thrower, Mulveen, Murray, and the mover.

This motion having been seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

On Friday evening 23rd December, at about half-past 8 o'clock, a much larger meeting took place, when Mr. John M'Gregor having been voted into the chair, called upon the mover of the first resolution.

Captain Williamson, who said the resolution he had to move was that the following petition be adopted. [The speaker here read the petition.] It would not require much consideration to convince readers of the bill that many of the clauses in it ought not to be allowed to pass. Ten years ago the present law came into existence, and many took advantage of it. It was not without faults; many recommended amendments, and it was looked forward to that the Government would amend it, adapting it more to the present state of the country. This new bill, however, had many objectionable points in it. It favoured one class at the expense of the whole public. It enabled that class to monopolise the land, precluding all others from taking up but very limited areas. The whole bill was a bonus to a man of capital at the expense of men of small means. The public in general were interested in this measure, and should take up the matter. The great fault of the bill was that it would aggravate the great objection to the present law of setting class against class. Nevertheless he believed the Government, with the help of the squatters, had the power to pass the bill, unless there occurred almost a revolution. He considered that the people in the country parts should bestir themselves in the matter, and that if they did so the Sydney people would aid them. The truth of the third clause in the petition, "That the withholding of the grazing rights from the free selector virtually quadruples the price of his land," he need hardly point out to them. When the present Land Act was passed, the grazing right was looked upon as a great assistance; and to take it from free selectors now would be equal to considerably raising the price of their land. That the areas for intending selectors other than pastoral lessees is too small, as stated in the fourth clause of the petition, they had all felt some time ago. Last year our crops were bad, and we had to go elsewhere to procure flour in order to keep ourselves alive. Fortunately, this year nature had been more bountiful, and we were blessed with good crops. But all people could not grow wheat; it would not do. Therefore, some must grow sheep, and growers of sheep must have larger areas. The smallness of area prevented men possessed of a few hundreds of pounds from taking up land; such men were wanted; and unless larger areas were given, dummyism or some other trick must be resorted to in order to get them; the law must be evaded. He then referred to the fifth paragraph in the proposed petition, which read—"That the proviso in condition 3 of clause 26, relating to mineral leases other than of gold, will encourage monopoly." According to the present land law, holders of mineral leases required to expend at the rate of five pounds sterling per acre on their lots within the first three years of the lease. To that condition a proviso had been added, evidently framed to suit certain companies. If the law was to be altered in the manner proposed, mining companies would be enabled to expend their £5 per acre upon any part of their ground only. At Elmore, at present, the mineral company must expend £5 on each of their eighty acres, which would be £400 on the whole. Under the new bill, mineral lands would fall into the hands of large companies, to the exclusion of men of small means. The sixth and last paragraph of the petition which he proposed for adoption, namely—"That no sufficient provision is made for putting a stop to the present insufficient and unequal valuation of pastoral leaseholds," referred to what was in this neighbourhood a grievance above all. Although we were in a fine pastoral district, the lands were rented at little more than nothing, through the unjust system of appraisement, and the great difficulty of getting disinterested arbitration. The low rentals derived from the Crown lands of this colony were unjust to the general public, who had to bear the burdens of heavy taxation. The new Land Bill made no provision for remedying the evil. He would not, however, take up any more of the time of the meeting. The committee had suggested certain amendments to the present Act, which he would read as follows:—1. That grazing rights be abolished. 2. That the area for selections be extended to 2560 acres if within ten miles of any present town, and to 10,000 acres in all other parts. 3. That no miners under 17 years shall be allowed to select. 4. That the price of all water frontages one mile back shall be £1 per acre, and for all other lands 5s. per acre. That 25 per cent. be paid down, and the remainder in nine equal payments after five years' occupation. 6. That improvements be made within five years to the amount of the purchase money. 7. That no one shall hold two conditional purchases until the whole purchase money shall have been paid, and the improvements completed on the first. 8. Occupation to be within one month, and continued for five years. 9. Alienation of any selection not to be allowed until the improvements are completed. 10. That land outside the present population boundaries to be sold by auction. 11. In lieu of the present system of valuing the rentals of pastoral leases, an upset price of 1d. per acre per annum should be adopted, and that the expiring or forfeited leases should be submitted to sale by auction. In commenting upon the suggestions contained in the petition, the speaker remarked that the residence clause in the present land law had been a source of great annoyance. There were many ideas of residence. But, if improvements were made, what more did the country want? Tradesmen, situated in towns, were shut out, by the present law as to residence, from participating in the benefits of the land law. If, however, the residence clause were abolished many small tradesmen, who could not find time to cultivate a farm would be able to occupy a piece of land, and, by employing labour upon it, form for himself a future home.

Mr. M'Intyre objected to doing away with the residence clause, as it gave too much opportunity to dummies.

Mr. Selby spoke against the resolution. He thought they were pitching into the squatters too much. He also objected strongly to doing away with the residence clause.

Mr. Armstrong said that with reference to the objection raised by Mr. M'Intyre, he thought it would be done away with by the following clause, which insisted upon improvements. The object of the suggestion that the present residence clause should be abolished was that a man might be enabled to occupy and improve a piece of ground, although not able to leave other business to attend to it himself.

Mr. M'Intyre moved, as an amendment, that the words "residence optional," in clause 8 of the suggestions offered in the petition, be omitted. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Pigott proposed, as an amendment upon clause 2, that the maximum extent of selection be not more than 640 acres, fronting a river or main creek, as the opportunity to select 2560 acres would afford greater monopoly than would be felt before the country.

Mr. Selby seconded the amendment, which, on being put to the meeting, was carried.

The resolution, as amended, was then unanimously carried.

Mr. M'Ilveen proposed,—"That the petition, as read, be forwarded to Dr. Fraser to be by him presented to the Assembly." Carried.

BERRWARRINA PASTORAL ASSOCIATION AND THE NEW LAND BILL.

A special meeting of the Berrwarrina Pastoral Association was held at Brewarrina on the 20th December, for the purpose of discussing the new Land Bill at present before Parliament.

Mr. James Govan was in the chair.

The chairman commenced proceedings by reading a letter from the Association's agents in Sydney advising the secretary to call the meeting, after which the debate assumed a conversational character, and a long discussion ensued, in which Messrs. Martin, Doyle, Cohen, Horsefall, and the chairman took part; it being urged by some that as the bill was not one calculated to settle the question of land reform, a petition should be got up, asking Parliament to throw it out, and appeal to the country before reintroducing a measure of such vital importance, especially as no member of the present Parliament is in any way pledged to any particular line of action with regard to the question. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to defer this step till it was shown, when the second reading came on, what amendments were likely to be made, and, in the meantime, for the Association to express its disapproval of any portions which affected the interests of the district. In accordance with which it was moved by Mr. John K. Doyle, and seconded by Mr. H. Cohen,—"That the proposed Land Bill, at present before Parliament totally ignores the interests of this and other outlying districts, and that this Association is of opinion that the price of land is fixed at too high a rate, thereby preventing the taking up and utilising of large areas of land in this district at present lying waste and unleasable, which, under a more liberal policy, might be turned to good account." This being carried, it was proposed by Mr. H. Cohen, and seconded by Mr. James H. Doyle,—"That, in the opinion of this Association, clause 51, and the succeeding ones relating to the selection of pastoral homesteads, do not meet the intentions of the bill—first, by the price of land being fixed at too high a rate for outside districts; and, second, by the 'lessee' having to make the application instead of the 'lessee or *cestuent of lease.*'" Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. P. Martin, and seconded by Mr. James Horsefall,—"That the 70th clause is arbitrary and unjust in the extreme, and ought to be expunged from any Land Bill, and that the decision of an umpire ought to be final in all cases." Carried unanimously. Further discussion was then adjourned till the next general meeting, which will take place on the day for electing sheep directors early in February.

THE AUSTRALIAN ECLIPSE EXPEDITION.

(From the Special Correspondent of the Argus.)

SYDNEY, DECEMBER 25.

MR. Ellery, the leader of the expedition, had got the whole of his party on board the steamship Governor Blackall, which lay at Campbell's Wharf, Port Jackson, by 4 o'clock on the afternoon of Monday, the 27th November. A large crowd of people assembled on the wharf, cheered the vessel lustily as she cast off. A number of Sydney gentlemen came on board to bid good bye to friends, and some of them accompanied the steamer down the harbour. "Success to the Eclipse Expedition," or "Exhibition," as the proposer unhappily gave it, was drunk before the parting with great enthusiasm. The Heads were cleared at 6 o'clock, and before sundown we had fairly entered upon our journey northward of 1600 miles down the eastern coast of the Australian continent. The Governor Blackall, which had been lent for the occasion by the Queensland Government, on condition that she was insured and docked before and after the voyage, is a capital sea-boat of 330 tons register, and she is as conveniently fitted as her size will admit of. She was built in Sydney at an original cost of £15,000, to carry mails in opposition to the Australasian Steam Navigation Company; but she is now no longer used for that purpose, and the Queensland Government is anxious to dispose of her. Lieutenant Gowlland, R. N., who has surveyed portions of the north-east coast of Australia as far as Cape York, was in command of the ship. The navigation of the reef passage is in parts extremely intricate, and the appointment of an able and experienced officer to the command was a source of great satisfaction to the passengers. The occupants of the saloon when they assembled at table were found to number thirty-three. The party thus representing a singular variety of pursuits the party was a thoroughly agreeable one, and without a single discordant element. The Victorian contingent went on board the Governor Blackall with their sea legs and sea appetites, and therein had the advantage of some of their Queensland and New South Welsh companions. When we saw the miserable victims of sea-sickness at ugger out of the hatchways in the morning to coil up in unrecognisable limp bundles in outof-the-way corners, we walked the decks as the steamer rolled in the long rolling swell of the Pacific, with a sense of calm superiority not altogether unmixed with that feeling of satisfaction which the misfortunes of our best friends are said to occasion. The ship's providore evidently recognised the fact that the company was not exclusively devoted to astronomical science, and that there were terrestrial as well as celestial objects to be attentively observed. The tills at first furnished on the dining-tables had a printed double head-line, "s.s. Governor Blackall," and "Eclipse Expedition," with a neatly-executed woodcut between, showing some champagne bottles and frothing glasses gracefully reposing on a cluster of grapes and vine leaves, as armorial bearings. This little illustration was looked upon with much favour by the excursionists, many of whom regarded it as decidedly appropriate. The weather throughout the voyage was exceptionally fine. On Tuesday morning we picked up the S.E. trades, which lasted to within less than a day's journey of our destination—Cape Sidmouth—and the boat often steamed and sailed 11 knots an hour. In the afternoon we met a Brisbane steamer, which had just come out of the river, and passed near enough to hear the cheers of her passengers. We subsequently sighted two other steamers between Cardwell and Brisbane, which no doubt reported us. At 11 o'clock on Tuesday night we had seen the last of the desolate rocks called the Solitaries. The next two days we skirted the shore. After Cape Byron, which is the easternmost projection of the east coast, the scene is varied by peaky hill and jutting headlands. Losing sight of Breaksea Spit, about noon on Wednesday, we saw no land for some thirty hours, when we made High Peak islet, and had the mainland in view, excepting during very short intervals, for the remainder of the journey. Our course from Sandy Cape was through the Capricorn Channel into the Coral Sea and inside the Great Barrier Reefs, which extend to the north for upwards of 1000 miles. There is nothing picturesque about these reefs. There is no break upon them in moderate weather, and for that reason they are especially dangerous—giving no sound to acquaint the mariner of their unwelcome proximity. The numerous rocks and islets which stud these reefs make the navigation extremely difficult. At certain stages it is absolutely necessary to anchor for the night.

The afternoon of Friday, December 1, found us anchored under the lee of No. 2 Percy Island, which is forest and a quarter miles long and three and a half broad. The island is uninhabited, but it is occasionally visited by natives for fish. It was here that Mr. Strange, the Government geologist, and three companions were murdered by blacks in 1855 while watering their ship. The island has some variety of landscape, but presents little of the appearances people are accustomed to associate with the sea-green isles of the torrid zone. There is a line of rocky prominences on one shore, with pines growing in the fissures, some green herbage, and a few tropical plants, but the general aspect is strongly Australian. We anchored in a little cove, and landed on a margin of ribbed tide sands. Advancing over some undulations, leading to hills on either side nearly 900 feet high, some of the party selected the most eligible peak on which to try their pedestrian powers, and reached its summit in a state bordering on incipient apoplexy. The view from the top was not devoid of interest. There were pleasantly-sweeping valleys, here and there marked by tropical growths—notably the *pandanus*, with a bright red fruit, formed like a gigantic pine apple—and some graceful pines. Looking seaward, there were several islets in full view, and in the harbour below we could see the little steamer, dwarfed by distance to the size of a toy ship, glistening in the tropical heat. A cairn was erected on the highest point, to show that there had been other than Nature's footsteps there, and a log fire lit at the same time burnt with a steady light, like a star, for several hours after we had returned to the vessel. Some oysters were found adhering to the rocks in a little creek. They could not easily be removed, however. The lower shell seemed to be part and parcel of the rock, and they were evidently designed by nature to be consumed on the premises. This was not found to be an insuperable obstacle to our enjoyment of the delicious bivalves, for the scientific instruments shipped included tomahawks. The cairn led to a turtle on the beach led to the discovery of its nest. Five dozen eggs were removed from beneath the sand, when we desisted from mingled feelings of pity and exhaustion. The eggs when boiled were very good eating. The sportsmen shot a few birds, the botanists gathered some plants, and the naturalist and conchologist both procured specimens, but nothing worthy of special record. Gun-fire at half-past 6 o'clock recalled the whole party on board. Next day we were gliding by continuous clusters of islands and islets, with a man in the foretop to look out for shoal water. Entering Whitsunday Passage we appeared to be going through a circle of small islands, with a narrow opening at the north and south ends. There were peaks and varied headlands rising in romantic confusion, sometimes with graceful slopes bordered with a thin fringe of pines running from the crown to the water's edge. The heights of the mainland formed a shadowy background, and we were shut in by a magnificent amphitheatre of hills.

The heat under the deck awning was at no time really oppressive, thanks to the refreshing trade wind, the thermometer generally ranging from 81° to 83°, and at no time exceeding 87°, but it was curious to note among the passengers the approach of warmer latitudes by the successive castings of clothing. There being no ladies on board, full liberty was allowed in the matter of dress. Boots retired in favour of loose slippers the second day out. The third day coats disappeared, then vests were voted useless encumbrances; the day after collars were generally discarded; on the sixth day *pyjamas* were in full bloom, and before we had reached a new destination a near approach to the summer garb of Eden had become the most popular costume. The occupations of the excursionists exhibited a somewhat similar decline. At first people were seen voraciously devouring scientific treatises, with most formidable looking astronomical plates, and the talk was of leucospheres, photospheres, and chromospheres; of tangential rays, parallaxes, limbs cusps, and crescents (not the San Francisco "crescent liquescent, distinct with a duplicate horn"—though the weather was rather suggestive of those refreshing beverages without the alcohol, by-and-bye a closer inspection showed that the markers in these book remained in the same page for days together. Then even the desire for this weak deception passed away. The next phase was the sudden eruption of light literature. This as quickly subsided, and it was generally admitted that lying full length on the deck and dozing was the correct way of passing the time. The universal feeling was that expressed in the cry of the Lotus-eaters, "Let us alone!" and from this sad condition no spell short of that exerted by the dinner-bell sufficed to even temporarily arouse the lethargic company.

On Sunday religious services were conducted in the morning by the Rev. Mr. Scott, who read the Anglican Church service and a printed sermon. In the afternoon we passed the Bellenden Ker mountains, whose heads at a height of nearly 6000 feet were immersed in heavy rain-clouds. There is a huge hill close by of a perfect pyramidal form, and the range of mountains standing back 10 or 15 miles from the coast presents a very picturesque outline. We were dodging through islets, reefs, and shoals, until after nightfall, and could not help feeling a new admiration for the genius of Captain Cook, whose incomparable seamanship carried him safely through these unknown seas eighty years ago. The Governor Blackall, never doing less than nine knots sometimes passed within what seemed a few hundred yards of an islet, and, but for the confidence every one had in Captain Gowlland, there would have been some nervousness on board. At 8 o'clock p.m. we anchored, in a rain-squall, under Frankland Island, apparently a very barren spot. At a.m. we were again under steam. We reached Fitzroy Island at 6 o'clock on Monday evening, and remained the whole of Tuesday to take in water, some carelessness having caused the supply to run short.

Fitzroy Island is nearly two miles long and rather less than a mile broad. It has a rich black soil, and is by far the best specimen of tropical vegetation we saw. It was clothed in a mantle of green from base to summit. A portion of the crew of the Antagonist, wrecked on Green Islet in 1863, remained here for five months. Some of the shore party made an excursion across the island. They experienced the utmost difficulty in penetrating the dense vegetation. Two men with axes were constantly needed to clear the way, which was especially impeded by prodigious climbers with stems 200 and 300 yards long (*calamus Australis*), which sometimes lies along the ground, and is occasionally found scaling the summits of the highest trees. The country is well wooded. The highest point is 800 feet. Among the most luxuriant tropical growths, which are of great frequency, the familiar specially put their not always graceless stems, and the Indo-Australian flora is very beautiful, as the specimens gathered testified. Some strange fruits, which looked inviting on the outside, but were hard and bitter within, were procured, and a splendid nutmeg tree in full bearing was found. Mr. Moore, the director of the Sydney Botanic Gardens, collected some beautiful fan palms, and discovered several new leguminous plants, besides a fern hitherto unknown—*platycerium*, or *acrostichum*—which is remarkable for its simple fronds. Mr. Brazier, the conchologist, obtained a dozen new species of shells; and Mr. Diggles, the naturalist, made a small but pretty entomological collection. This island will no doubt be cultivated some day. Professor Wilson, in removing a parasitical fern from a tree, had a narrow escape from a snake. A steel-coloured reptile of this kind, about three feet long, fell from the fibrous envelope of the plant while he had it in his hand. Before a stick could be procured to dispatch his snakeship, the creature had escaped, and the specimen was lost. The ship's company dispersed themselves pretty nearly all over the island in the course of the day. Some scaled the highest ridge, and returned to the landingplace by a coast strewn with enormous boulders, some of which were thirty feet high. It was rough work leaping from point to point on these stones, sometimes sliding on one's back from the side of one to another a distance of ten or fifteen feet below, with the occasional episode of a fall into four feet of water. The sea was rushing and eddying around these rocks with a hollow roar, and raising wild echoes in the caverns. This exercise was voted good training for chamois hunting, and the excursionists, elated with the excitement of constantly running and jumping to preserve their equilibrium, which could not be kept while stationary, seemed to be rapidly developing the latent wildness of the original savage. On regaining the landing-place most of the shore party plunged into the water to bathe, and afterwards lunch the merlver out to dry on various parts of the high coral bank facing the ship, looking in the distance to an imaginative eye like so many Venuses newly rising from the sea. The boat landed on a steep beach of broken coral, a few yards from which ran a creek of beautifully fresh water. The coral was full of shells. You could sit on the highest ledge and roll down rainbow showers of shells, for their varied hues and delicate markings contained all the colours of the solar prism. There were but few of a rare kind on the surface, however. Those available to the uninitiated were chiefly cowries, cones, and spider shells. Removed from nature's own setting, they lose much of their charm, as shells always do; and a close inspection the following morning resulted in large pendants being thrown overboard.

"We wiped away the weeds and foam,
And brought our seashore treasures home;
But the poor, unsightly, noisome things
Had left all their beauty on the shore,
With the sun, and the sand, and the wild uproar."

At 2 a.m. on Tuesday, the voyage was resumed by the light of the moon. Cape Tribulation, 1454 feet high, and the Peter Botte, a curiously-shaped mass of stone rising 3311 feet above the sea, so named because of its resemblance to the Peter Botte of Mauritius, were successfully passed, the character of the country improving considerably in this locality. The densely-wooded hills, relieved by patches of well grassed land, on which the sunlight brightly played, had a very pretty effect. Then was reached the Endeavour River, where Cook repaired the damages sustained by his vessel on the Endeavour Reef. The country in this locality is bald and uninteresting. There is a long low shore with patches of clay visible at frequent intervals. Passing through a number of islets and sand-banks, we gained the anchorage at Lizard Island on Tuesday afternoon. This island, which is three or four miles in circumference, is not a very interesting spot. It consists of rugged hills and bare plains; but the view from any of the peaks is attractive. There are from seven to ten islets in sight, and though they are not in themselves beautiful, the sea, stretching from point to point, and shimmering in the amber sunlight, makes a charming panorama. On the beach at Lizard Island were the remains of a small stone building, which had probably been erected for a beche de mer station. A large black cross painted on one of the walls, with the letter D cut in stone, and an ominous depression in the ground underneath it, seemed to say that some unfortunate seafarer had been buried there. We saw no natives, but there were numerous marks of native feet on the sand, and late in the evening a camp fire was seen on the side of one of the hills. Those skilled in tracking professed to know that the footsteps in the sand were those of a blackfellow, a white man, a lubra, a child of six years, and a dog; so that we had at once all the elements of a three-volume romance after the manner of "Foul Play." A few pigs were seen in the bush. The long grass contained a great many quail, and heaps of turtle-bones marked the place of native feasts. At daylight next morning we were again underway. Nearing Cape Melville we saw several blackfellows on the beach. The eye ever past and present always contrasting past a barren-looking country and through numerous reefs and shoals. At 3 o'clock, the two hummocks by which Cape Sidmouth, our original destination, is identified, came in view. It was thought, however, that as considerable difficulties would probably be occasioned by the natives if the expedition disembarked on the mainland, it would be better to select an island to serve for an observatory, if a suitable one could be found. No. 6 island, in the Claremont Group, which is opposite Cape Sidmouth, at a distance of nine miles, and situated in latitude 13 degrees 29·31 S., and longitude 143 degrees 55·40 E., was fixed upon for this purpose. The Governor Blackall cast anchor here at 6 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, December 6. The island was found to be a desolate sandbank, with a scant covering of long grass and stunted bushes, tenanted by sea-birds and rats. Its dimensions at high water, when the landing was effected, were about 1000 yards by 200, but at low water next day the sandbank was found to be free four to five miles long. The rocks on the beach were plentifully studded with oysters, which, though sweet, were small, and extremely difficult to open.

VISCOUNT CANTERBURY AND THE THEATRES OF VICTORIA.

THE following correspondence appears in the *Argus* of Friday last. It appears that his Excellency the Governor of New South Wales had been applied to for a donation to the Australian Dramatic Association, and declined to subscribe:—

"Private Secretary's Office, Melbourne, December 21.

"Sir,—His Excellency Viscount Canterbury has observed in the report (in the *Age* of this morning's issue) of the proceedings yesterday of the Council of the Australasian Dramatic, Operatic, Musical, and Equestrian Association, presided over by you, the announcement that the council has adopted a resolution of which the following passage is the commencement:—'That as his Excellency the Governor of Victoria, Lord Viscount Canterbury, and suite patronise public entertainments upon the free-list, &c.'

"With reference to the assertion contained in this passage, Viscount Canterbury instructs me to state that if it should be intended to convey the inference that his Excellency is, or has been, in the habit of being present at dramatic, operatic, musical, or equestrian entertainments without payment, that inference would be directly contrary to the fact in the case.

"It is, indeed, the fact that his Excellency's attendance at entertainments of this character has generally been at the request of managers, and it is also true that he has frequently attended them at considerable inconvenience to himself; but he is not aware of a single instance in which he has not paid for the seats which he has occupied; and if you should have any claim, which, through inadvertence on my part, remains unsatisfied against his Excellency for seats occupied by him at your theatres, or if there should be any manager among those with the council of which you are the president to be aggrieved, or is about to enter into communication in accordance with the resolution to which I have referred, who has not been paid for seats occupied by his Excellency at the dramatic, operatic, musical, or equestrian establishment under his control, I shall esteem it a favour if the account should be sent to me, in order that it may be examined, and, if found correct, paid.

"I have, &c.,

"(Signed) J. S. ROTHWELL, Private Secretary.

"George Coppin, Esq., chairman of the Council Australasian Dramatic, &c., Association."

(Copy.)

"Theatre Royal, Melbourne, December 22, 1871.

"J. S. Rothwell, Esq.

"Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated December 21, which I have handed to the secretary of the Australasian Dramatic, Operatic, Musical, and Equestrian Association, to be brought forward at the next meeting of council.

"I have, &c.,

"(Signed) GEO. COPPIN."

(Copy.)

"Belcura, Mornington, December 23, 1871.

"Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date, in which you state that you have handed my letter of the 21st instant to the secretary of the Australasian Dramatic, Operatic, Musical, and Equestrian Association, to be brought forward at the next meeting of the council.

"I beg to remind you that in the latter part of that letter I conveyed to you the request that if it should be the fact that payment had not been already made for any seats occupied at any time by his Excellency at any of the theatres of which you are or have been the manager, you would furnish me with the particulars, in order that the account should be examined, and, if found correct, paid.

"I am now instructed by his Excellency Viscount Canterbury to repeat this request, which was addressed to you, not as president of the council of the Australasian Dramatic, Operatic, Musical, and Equestrian Association, but as being, or having been, the manager of theatres at which Viscount Canterbury has (generally on your application) attended. And I am further to state that Viscount Canterbury regards himself as entitled, in the circumstances of the case, to expect from you a full categorical, and very speedy reply to the inquiry to which I have thus recalled and have now the honour to request your immediate attention.—I have, &c.,

"(Signed) J. S. ROTHWELL, Private Secretary.

"George Coppin, Esq., &c., Theatre Royal."

(Copy.)

"Theatre Royal, Melbourne, December 26, 1871.

"Lieutenant J. S. Rothwell, R.A., Private Secretary.

"Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated December 23, at 10.30 on Saturday night.

"In reply, I most respectfully decline to furnish an account 'in order that it may be examined, and, if found correct, paid.'

"The old-established rule of my profession will not permit me to acknowledge debtors for admission to the theatre.—I have, &c.,

"(Signed) GEO. COPPIN."

(Copy.)

"Private Secretary's Office, Melbourne, December 28, 1871.

"Sir,—I have laid before his Excellency Viscount Canterbury your letter of the 26th instant (which only reached me this morning), in which you have refused, for a reason alleged therein, to state the instances, if any, in which seats occupied at any time by his Excellency, at any theatre under your management, have not been paid for.

"His Excellency has instructed me to refrain from making any comment on this refusal, and I am to inform you that my correspondence with you on this subject is now closed.—I have, &c.,

"(Signed) J. S. ROTHWELL, Private Secretary.

"George Coppin, Esq., Theatre Royal."

"TO THE EDITOR OF THE AGE.

"Sir,—I have this morning received from Mr. Coppin a letter, of which I enclose a copy; and, to prevent misconstruction, I beg to request that it may be published. Of course, the fact that I have not replied to this letter is not to be considered as implying that I acquiesce in the purport of it, or that I have changed the opinion expressed in my letter of the 23rd instant, on the subject referred to in it. I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

"J. S. ROTHWELL.

"Toorak, 29th December."

"Lieut. J. S. Rothwell, R.A., Private Sec.

"Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 26th December, in which you state 'I am to inform you that my correspondence with you on the subject is now closed.'

"Permit me to say that I do not consider our correspondence has anything whatever to do with the letter you addressed to the chairman of the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association, the receipt of which I acknowledged on behalf of the association, and handed over to the hon. secretary to be brought forward at the next meeting of council. I have, &c.,

"GEO. COPPIN.

"Theatre Royal, Melbourne, 29th December, 1871."

"TO THE EDITOR OF THE AGE.

"Sir,—In reference to the correspondence that appears in your issue of this day, at the request of his Excellency Viscount Canterbury, permit me to say that as the Governor's letter was addressed to the chairman of the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association, that the only course open to me was to hand it to the hon. secretary, to be brought forward at the first meeting of council, and that it would have been unbecoming on my part to enter into any controversy without the approval of my brother directors. A meeting of the Association will take place immediately after the holidays, when the statements that caused the adoption of the resolution on the 20th December will be made public; and, although his Excellency gives a bold denial to the charge of visiting public entertainments on the free list, I believe the council will be in a position to prove that (with one or two exceptions) the Governor and suite have always been upon the free list of the Theatre Royal; that the Governor and suite have visited poor Mr. Horsley's benefit at the Town Hall upon the free list; that the Governor and suite have visited Mr. Fruh, Weston's entertainment, at St. George's Hall, upon the free list; that the Governor did not respond to the first or second application for payment to entertainments at the Polytechnic Hall.

"That the Governor and suite visit the races year after year and participate in the lunch upon the free list.

"If these

not as yet sufficient to supply our requirements—the ground at present being so dry, and everything in the shape of vegetation parched up to such an extent by the fearful heat of the weather during the last fortnight, that a couple of days of good soaking rain is necessary to supply all our requirements.

At Burrangong (according to the *Argus* of Saturday) the heat for the few days preceding Christmas-day was almost intolerable. On the 22nd the thermometer registered 102°, and, on the 23rd, 103° in the shade at the Post-office, in a comparatively cool spot. On the 24th (about midday) we had a little lightning and thunder, and a light shower of rain, which had the effect of cooling the atmosphere, and making the holidays somewhat enjoyable. On Christmas day the maximum reached by the mercury was only 87°. Accounts have reached us of bush fires in the neighbourhood of Marengo, at Burramundra, near the Forbes Road, and in the Bland country. Last week there were extensive fires at Messrs. Chisholm and Church's, and also at Messrs. Burrett's at Euroka. At the latter place about a mile of fencing was destroyed. Wheat harvest may be considered finished. On some farms the crop is exceedingly heavy, but we have heard that rust shows in a few places; altogether, however, if present reports are to be relied upon, the crop may be pronounced as good beyond the average. A good fall of rain, to freshen up the grass and the crops of *maize* and potatoes, is much wanted.

From Yass the *Courier* of the 29th ultimo reports that the weather, although dry, has for several days past varied much in temperature. On occasions it has been quite cool and pleasant, while at other times it becomes excessively sultry. Altogether the season is in every respect very favourable for harvesting operations, which are progressing steadily. We have heard a few complaints of a scarcity of hands, but do not think that much inconvenience has arisen from this cause. The Wheeo correspondent of the *Goulburn Herald* writes, on the 27th ultimo, that farmers are now busily employed reaping their wheat. A great deal is now ripe; but hands are rather scarce yet. The crops generally are pretty good; but there are *some* decidedly bad; and it is worthy of remark that the worst crops were sown in March, whilst the best—and there are some really first-class—were sown in April and May. It is the opinion of farmers generally that the crop of this district taken as a whole, will not be more than an average one. There was a heavy thunderstorm between 2 and 3 o'clock on Sunday last. Some large hailstones fell, and fears of a hailstorm were entertained; but happily there was but little damage done. The weather is now all that could be desired for harvesting. Grass is very plentiful, and stock are in fine condition. At Ten-mile Creek (says the correspondent of the *Albury Banner*, writing on the 28th ultimo) harvest operations are being vigorously proceeded with in all directions, as the weather lately has been favourable to their prosecution. The hum of the *stripping* machine can now be daily heard in many places, as there are a large number of them now in the neighbourhood. From the great demand which has arisen since the wheat crops have ripened, it is evident that there are not too many of them yet. The rain and stormy weather which prevailed a few weeks ago did very great damage to the wheat crops by tossing them about and laying many of them so flat to the ground that it is almost impossible to gather them with any description of machine whatever. The consequence is that very great loss is entailed, much of the wheat being left upon the ground. The general average will, nevertheless, be very good, as the crops are unusually heavy, owing to the past favourable season; but it is impossible yet to form an estimate of the probable yield with a sufficient degree of correctness. One or two farmers who are taking off their crop by the sickle are now experiencing great difficulty in obtaining sufficient reapers, probably owing to the fact that, machines being generally employed in this district, very few reapers pass along in quest of employment. It is stated by the *Yass Advertiser* of Saturday that the weather has been fine, but comparatively cool. The most disastrous accounts continue to reach us of the destruction caused by bush-fires. On the Bland a tremendous fire, many miles in width, swept both sides of the creek. The Baddigore, Wallondry, and Wyagong runs have also suffered severely, and a great quantity of fencing has been destroyed at Mara and North Junee. That plague of sheep-owners, the grass seed, is very troublesome this year, and will cause great loss amongst the lambs and weaners. At Gunning, says the *Times* of the 30th ultimo, during the past week we have had regular Australian Christmas weather. The thermometer has ranged from 98° to 100° during the hottest part of the days, and languor, desire to wear light vestments, and to partake of cool drinks have been prevalent amongst our residents. Trying as the heat is, we believe our wine-growers are rejoicing in it, as giving prospect of a good vintage. Bush fires have been entirely been prevalent as an aspect of this kind intended, and we believe one of large extent was raging on the Money Money Ranges on Wednesday. In the Cowra district, according to the *Monaro Mercury* of Saturday, the weather for the week has been rather cooler than previously. Saturday last was an excessively hot day, the thermometer recording 98° in the shade. A little rain has fallen, and a most agreeable change has taken place in the atmosphere. The country looks very well, and cattle and sheep are provided with ample provender. Farmers, whose shallows, are getting in their crops, which promise to yield a bountiful harvest. The Shoalhaven Intelligence, by the *News* of Saturday, is to the effect that during the past week the weather has been very mild, and a good deal of rain has fallen, which was necessary to keep the maize crop in good health, which looks as promising now as ever we remember seeing it, and the farmers are sanguine of obtaining a good crop. We were shown, the other day, a small patch of the Planter's Friend about a quarter of an acre, sown by Mr. Warren of Numba. From its healthy state and appearance, we are of opinion—as we always have been—that this very important plant may be grown to advantage in Shoalhaven; and we sincerely hope that Mr. Warren will succeed in garnering his crop, so as to convince those farmers who are not very sanguine as to its success, that the Planter's Friend can be grown to perfection here as well as in the Northern districts.

THE GOLD FIELDS.

Bell End and Tambaroora.—The *Times* of Saturday says:—There has been no mining work worth speaking of during the past week, both men and machinery having taken a holiday. The recent find of rich stone in Holman and Tunnycliffe's, next the Champion Company's ground, will give increased confidence in the progressive claims of this neighbourhood, which is quickly rising in public favour. Work at the Green Valley is progressing slowly, and prospects improve as the shafts increase in depth. Milner Stephens' battery (on his patent) is now being erected on the creek, and this experiment will be an ample test of the value of the invention. There is also a portion of a fifteen-head battery close to the above, and preparations are being made to commence its erection. The suggestion of the Government as to the election of a deputy, or member of the Mining Board in Sydney, was unanimously voted over last night at a public meeting with no satisfactory result; and the question was decided by the ballot to-day. This move is a step in the right direction, or, at least, it must result in a great improvement upon the present very unsatisfactory state of things. But it is evident that district mining boards would meet the difficulty much better than a central board. The extent of our mining territory is so great, and the details of its requirements so diverse, that local knowledge and distinct laws are absolutely necessary. The division of the territory into districts, and the appointment of a mining board for each, would be an easy matter, entailing an annual charge of only a few thousand pounds, and must certainly be effectual, as the framing of regulations would be deputed to those who had to obey them, and whose interest it would be to see that they were drafted so as to meet their wants. A mining act, or general law, would, of course, prescribe the power of the local mining board. Thus the Government would be freed from the responsibility, and the difficulty would be quickly and practically solved. Years of experience elsewhere justify this conclusion. The fact that the abolition of the Mining Boards of Victoria has been mooted at this is not an argument to the contrary, as those boards could now be dispensed with without serious loss, having, during their long career, perfected a mining code for their respective districts so complete as to meet all possible contingencies. If the Government is not prepared to go the length mentioned, it will be well to make the best of the present proposal. To this end it will be advisable to furnish our representative with a statement embodying the chief features of our wants; in working out which particular attention should be paid to matters of detail, so that the new regulations may be complete in themselves, avoiding as much as possible the present discretionary power of the executive office. A liberal spirit should pervade the whole, particularly towards prospectors; and increased facilities and security should be given to capital invested in mining operations. We hear that the New Zealand claim, at Hawkins Hill (Messrs. Armfield and Co.), is to be formed into a company. The proprietors of this claim have two gold-bearing leaders in their present shaft, besides others on the surface not yet opened out.

Bell Creek.—In its latest report the *Mining Record* says:—We are now in the midst of our Christmas holidays, when play not work is the motto, consequently we have nothing very novel to report this week, although we are glad to say matters generally among our reefs are progressing well, and any of the claims that have crushed lately keep up their average and if anything show signs of improvement. We have received news from the Bushman's this week which tends to support the idea we had of it being turning out well. In the Welcome lead, which is the principal one at the Bushman's, there are 24 at work, only one mile in length from 12 north to 12 south, steadily at work, and at present there is a good deal of improvement. We may mention that this field has already attracted the attention of our speculative friends at Gulgong, some of whom are on the look out for eligible investments. The prospect-claim and No. 15 North have both bottomed on gold at a depth respectively of 111 and 103 feet. Last Friday No. 1 South bottomed at a depth of 108 feet, and at time of our informant leaving the result was unknown. Another prospecting claim is being sunk south of the original one, on the other side of the Billabong Creek. They have already sunk one shaft to a depth of fifty-five feet, and another to the depth of seventy-five feet, in both of these shafts strong indications of a decided lead exist. Another shaft is being sunk, and in next issue we expect to be able to give definite information as to the results, and we no doubt from what we already know it will be a good one. No 12 South is bottomed at fifty-five feet in satisfactory results, and they have now 209 feet from the original base line laid down by the Commissioner up nearer the prospectors and are sinking. No. 4 have bottomed, the result we hope to be able to give in our next. Since the above was written we have been informed that No. 5 South have bottomed at 110 feet, with a prospect of 2½ dwts. to the dish, and No. 3 North have sunk 107 feet and bottomed, with a prospect of 1½ dwt. to the dish. From the machines this week we have to report as follows:—Mr. Vaughn has crushed 30 tons from No. 1 South Prussian reef and will retort to-morrow. We may say the tables from their appearance indicate a good return. Messrs. Bevan and Hopkirk are still on O'Brien's prospecting claim and will be engaged on the same stone for a week or two; the tables look very well, and give good indications of a good dividend for the shareholders.

Gulgong.—The annual holidays authorised by the Mining Regulations are said by the *Guardian* of Saturday to have cast loose the whole of the mining population to enjoy themselves as best they may, without any fear of their claims being "jumped." Consequently, work has been entirely suspended, and there is hardly anything to report about this week. The next escort will be perhaps the smallest that has left Gulgong during the year, for the reasons above stated. On Saturday last the prospectors of the Durham Lead, who for many months past have been prospecting their area under more than ordinary difficulties, determined to abandon their claim, and give the water and drift best. They have been using a whim for the past three months to aid them in beating the water. They have driven some hundreds of feet, but have never been able to hit upon any payable ground. The water has been heavy, and as the private means of the party is now exhausted, they have "caved in." This abandonment is to be regretted, as the locality of the Durham is a very promising one, and almost untouched. Many cling tenaciously to the opinion that a payable lead does exist; but as the regulations hold out no inducement to occupy the ground under the miners' right, and as it cannot be leased if the regulations are strictly interpreted, and capital will not be expended under any other title but a lease, this ground will likely remain idle until mining reform becomes an accomplished fact. There are many parties now out prospecting in almost every direction around Gulgong, and it is the knowledge of this fact that in a great measure retains so many unemployed miners on the field, as there is no place else to go to as a change for the better. Everybody expects something to turn up soon, as the country surrounding Gulgong is, beyond doubt, highly auriferous. Quartz-mining is being steadily developed, and promises to be an important interest on this gold-field. Now reefs are being discovered weekly, and as this class of mining is one that requires capital to make it pay, we are glad to find that many claims are co-operating for the transformation of their joint property into a "scrip" company. In no other way can sufficient capital be raised to have our quartz reefs thoroughly tested, and the gold economically extracted. Machinery is being gradually introduced. There is the Golden Hill Company's machine of fifteen stampers, now at work on a lot of 200 tons from that company's claim on the Red Hill, which, judging from the copper plates, will yield well. This company have obtained 450 *tons* of quartz out of a new shaft now sinking, the reef being 17 feet wide. Mr. Mott, of the O. K. machine, also on Reedy Creek, will have the steam up in a day or two. This machine, being a 10-stamper one, is carefully constructed, and containing all the very latest improvements for saving gold. A third smaller machine is also in course of erection running eight stampers. These three mills will be sufficient for the vicinity of the present workings, but as reefs are being opened up within a radius of ten miles, it is certain that the crushing power must be increased. The defective supply of water for all purposes now being experienced does not seem to excite any effort to remedy it. Without desiring to check enterprise in any way, we feel certain that no plan for increasing the water supply by pumping machinery will ever be adopted for Gulgong. By gravitation, an effort is probable, but not certain. No difficulty will be experienced next summer in procuring water plentifully, even if the population does not decrease, as we have ever found that the water difficulty ceases to exist on every new gold-field after its first summer. As to pumping water from the Cudgegong, the idea will never be carried to a practical issue.

Lunatic and Perseverance Reefs.—By the *Clarence Examiner* of the 26th ultimo, it is reported that at Lunatic and Perseverance the miners are principally engaged in "stabbing," and playing a waiting game pending the erection of the machinery now on the ground, and which Mr. Amos expects to have erected and ready for crushing by the end of January, 1872, when great things are expected, as the large quantity of stone awaiting the operation of the stampers give every indication of being rich in the precious metals; and we can only hope that in this respect, the result may be such as not only to give a good return for the many months of toil endured by the hard-working miner, but that the yield may even exceed their most sanguine anticipations, though until the stampers are in full work, to give credit to all one hears of the large per-centage of gold contained in the quartz, requires a person of a rather sanguine temperament. We remember recently reading in one of the metropolitan weeklies, a statement made by a certain writer who ventured to predict that the stone obtained on the Golden Crown claim would give a yield of at least 800 or 1000 ounces to the ton, consequently shares were quitted at fabulous prices; but, from all of, we were informed, picked stone from the No. 1 claim on Golden Crown, sent to the Sydney Mint for the purpose *of being tested, gave something* about the twentieth part of the return which it was thought the average stone would yield, viz., forty-nine ounces of pure gold. This alone is sufficient to make the miners sanguine, and though much of the stone now awaiting crushing may give equally large returns, we fear there is a great deal of the material that the miners will find on crushing will give but a few ounces to the ton, though we shall be glad to learn, when the machine gets to work, that we too have been misled in the stone, and that it contains very much more of the precious metal than at a glance is apparent to the naked eye. We have no desire to detract from the richness of our reefs at Lunatic and Perseverance, where are now all the elements of prosperity, and, with machinery, the richness of the stone being daily unearthed from the bowels of the earth will be *fairly* tested, and we shall be glad to hear that the returns even on the Golden Crown are 100 or even 50 ounces to the ton, as then their richness could not be disputed, not but what a return of a few ounces, which no one seems to doubt will be obtained, would prove remunerative; but when the machine gets to work, we shall endeavour to obtain the weekly returns. At Solferino and Garibaldi reefs, on the Washpool Creek, about six miles south-east of Yulgilbar, are several claims opened. On the former reef, there are some eight claims now opened up, and the miners are very sanguine of success. On Monday, 18th instant, Mr. Robert Davidson's claim on Solferino, turned out some very rich indications of the golden treasure being there deposited; on Wednesday and Thursday last, far superior stone to anything yet obtained was unearthed, the precious metal being deposited in the "casing" or decomposed quartz; besides a quantity of stone which is more or less impregnated with gold, specimens of which may be seen at Mr. James Laird's, Freemasons' Hotel, Grafton. Messrs. Atkinson, Brothers, whose claim adjoins, have also struck good stone, so that the miners are in excellent spirits, believing their prospects in the future are bright, despite the small yield from a ton of quartz sent down some time back to be tested, and which only gave, we are informed, some seven dwts. At the foot of Solferino is erected a crushing-machine, worked by a water-wheel, the construction of which one would scarcely credit on examination, would be equal to the crushing power required to extract the gold from the stone. At all events, the miners, as a body, have not confidence in the machine, as at present constructed, alleging that the tables are not right, while the supports are not strong enough, and consequently, that much of the gold is lost; though we should imagine all that the miners complain of would be capable of correction, though the gentleman in charge seems somewhat discouraged, as he considers his efforts to assist in the development of the resources of the Solferino reef have not been appreciated as they deserve by those so largely interested in their success. On the Garibaldi, the stone already tested has made this reef famous, and not only the reef, but the name of Mr. Paul Marcolini and party. The stone on Garibaldi is of a different character to that obtained from the Solferino, and though hard to work, gives every indication of a large return, when the crushing power arrives, for which the partner of Mr. Paul Marcolini is now on a visit to the metropolis to purchase, and for which the party are making active preparations for erection, immediately on arrival. We have not a description of the machinery, but we believe it will also be driven by a water wheel, and of the result of the crushing, the miners entertain no doubt that it will be satisfactory. At Solferino other machinery is also shortly expected, so that ere long our reefs will be fairly tested. One great want is the establishment of mail communication, for which the miners, we understand, have petitioned; and as the mail could be conveyed by the present Tenterfield mailman, the cost would not be very great, while the boon conferred upon the miners would be invaluable, and we have no doubt, if the memorial is numerously signed, the prayer of the petitioners will be readily granted by the Postmaster-General. Over the past six months, Mr. Honeyman has been prospecting between Boorak and Lunatic on the falls of Crooked Creek, and worked for some time on what he supposed to be a silver reef; but the ore, when tested, proved to be iron pyrites. Latterly, he has followed the lead down several miles, and has fallen across sulphide of nickel, which contains two or three per cent. silver; and has also found, we are informed, in pretty fair quantities, decomposed copper. We heartily hope that the zealous prospector will be successful in developing the latteral mineral—carbonate of copper—as it is a most valuable ore of that metal.

BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Randwick.—The usual fortnightly meeting of the Council was held on Wednesday, 20th December, at half-past 7 p.m. Present—The Mayor (Mr. Walter Bradley), Aldermen Pearce, Read, Thompson, and Yeo. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Correspondence read—1. To Captain M'Lerie asking permission to make a road through some of his allotments in Coogee Ward. 2. To Mr. Charles Moore, making the same request as above, through several of his allotments in Coogee Ward. 3. From Captain M'Lerie and Mr. Charles Moore, acceding to the above requests. The financial account, amounting to £43 14s. 9d., was presented, and authorised to be paid, on the motion of Alderman Thompson, seconded by Alderman Pearce. The motion that was previously notified by Alderman Read, viz.:—"That the Trust Road at the culverts at the foot of St. Jude's Hill be widened and rendered safe for traffic by the erection of a suitable fence." Seconded by Alderman Yeo, and carried. The Hon. Surveyor received instructions to report at the next Council meeting respecting that improvement.—William Norris, Council Clerk.

PARRAMATTA.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Accident.—On Saturday evening last, after the arrival at Parramatta of the 7.30 railway train, Mrs. G. F. M'Arthur, a passenger, and her two children got into one of the licensed passenger-carrying vehicles to be driven to her residence, the King's School. After the carriage had proceeded a short distance the driver discovered that the pole was coming out of the socket. He immediately pulled up and endeavoured to replace it, but could not, the pole fell and the horses became unmanageable and bolted. As they were turning Church-street corner, near Mr. Harper's, they ran foul of Mr. Parson's van, but without doing damage. They then rushed madly on towards the Western Road where they ran the pole against the post-office iron letter receiver, opposite Cox's Hotel, the horses being on either side of it. The shock occasioned by the concussion was so violent as to throw Mrs. M'Arthur out of the carriage on to the road, whereby she sustained a severe cut on the face and was rendered insensible for a short period. She was then conveyed to Carr's Hotel, where Dr. Brown was speedily in attendance and rendered all the necessary medical and surgical aid. Dr. M'Laurin was shortly after in attendance. Mrs. M'Arthur was conveyed home as soon as she could be removed, and is progressing favourably.

Duck-shooting Accident.—On the 1st instant, Mr. David Pye (well known in Parramatta), taking advantage of the opening of the sporting season, was duck-shooting at Eastern Creek. He loaded his gun rather too heavily, and lay down to take a nice aim at some ducks; when he discharged the gun it recoiled, and struck him with such force as to break his collar-bone. Dr. Brown was sent for and the broken bone was set.

Parramatta Volunteer Rifles.—On New Year's Day the Parramatta Company engaged in a Rifle Match at the butts. Shooting at long ranges, viz., 550, 650, and 750 yards, five shots at each range, the prizes being a goose at each range and one for aggregate score. The winners were—honorary member C. J. Byrnes, ensign Smith, sergeant Howard, and private Adams, who succeeded in making good scores, considering the unusual ranges. These unusual ranges were adopted for the purpose of preparing the competitors for musketry instruction, which will take place during the current week. Staff-sergeant Stokes will be engaged during the present month in putting the company through their annual course of musketry instruction.

Terrific Storm.—Parramatta was visited yesterday between 12 and 1 o'clock with one of the wildest and most destructive storms the inhabitants have witnessed. Its approach from the south-west was sudden, and, preceded by strong gusts of wind, a downfall of rain came from a hovering dark cloud, shortly after which the wind blew a perfect tornado. The rain poured, temporarily portending a deluge, and the thunder roared; scarcely any lightning was visible. The tempest was not of long duration, but sufficiently long to do vast damage. The new Congregational Church in course of erection has suffered very much, the principals of the roof, three in number, which had been permanently fixed, were thrown down, together with the scaffolding, and in their fall the walls were shaken in many places by them; a portion of the front of the tower was knocked down. Providentially no injury was sustained by the workmen engaged on the building. The men were on the scaffolding only a few seconds before it fell and had just got outside when they heard the crash. A large quantity of paling round the building in the vicinity was attacked on the Alfred Square, and the wind played fine capers with them; they were carried away, some of them hundreds of yards, like so many feathers, dashed to pieces, and portions of them were discovered on the Newlands Estate. The force with which the wind carried them was so great as to knock down two panels of the railing surrounding the reserve. It is estimated that over £100 worth of damage has been occasioned. Commiseration is expressed for the luckless contractor, who was urging his work to a speedy conclusion. Mr. Henry Burgin, of Church-street, photographer, suffered much, his gallery being de-roofed, the roof and chimney of Mr. Richard Powell's house, in Grose-street, were blown down, and the trees in his garden torn limb from stock. A verandah in front of Mrs. Holt's house, in Church-street North, was blown down. The roofs of the cottages of Messrs. Golby, Malseed, Brenan, and others succumbed to the force of the gale. Trees stood a poor chance—willows particularly; one which was standing near the property of Mr. William Godin, adjoining Teasdell's Hotel, on the Kissing Point Road, came down on the roof of the cottage with sufficient force as to crush it in. An old cedar on the Kissing Point Road was uprooted, and a large tree at Mr. Hunt's residence, Pennant-street, shared a similar fate. Trees in the Parramatta Domain and at Elizabeth Farm were also destroyed. The fencing on the racecourse, and that surrounding the adjacent properties also, was blown down; indeed, it is impossible to particularise, as nearly every property on the northern side of Parramatta was more or less visited. Parramatta South fortunately escaped. Mr. French's cloth factory, formerly the "Darling Mills," received a most severe visitation. It would seem that, when the storm was at its height, the north-western point of the eave of the building was struck by lightning and the roof set on fire, as appears by the charred rafters. An opening being thus effected, the wind got under the roof, and displaced about a third of it, and it fell through the three floors, crushing all before it. In the upper floor two looms were completely destroyed; in the second the mules were destroyed where the timber and stones fell upon them, thereby rendering them unfit for use for many months; and on the lower floor a very expensive and valuable cutting-machine was broken and buried under the *debris* in the cellar beneath; two pieces of tweed were also destroyed. The gap made by the falling of the roof, &c., is about twenty feet by the whole front length of the building, and it is filled up with broken timber 10 inches x 8, joists and flooring of various sizes, and machinery. On the first floor, some feet from the edge of the gap, there were several large stones lying, which had been evidently cast by the lightning or carried by the wind from the top of the building (about thirty feet horizontally) to where they were deposited. Most fortunately no accident to life or limb occurred. Mr. French, in pointing out the extent of the damage done, said, "Now, just fancy, those two looms should have been at work to-day; but the men who ought to have been working them never came, they're keeping up the holidays, if they had come to work they must certainly have been killed; and another man, who works on the next floor, too, is away to-day fortunately." The boy who was cleaning the cutting-machine, had just done his work, and had scarcely got out of the door when the portion of the building in which he had been at work fell. Mr. French, jun., just saved his two children by his presence of mind, dragging them from beneath the falling timber. With a view to ascertain beyond doubt whether the building was really struck by lightning, I inspected the rear of the factory, and found that besides the charred appearance of the rafters, the tall chimney bore a very significant proof. About fifteen feet of the brickwork being cut off the south-eastern corner as neatly as though it had been done by a bricklayer; and along the roof of the lower building there was visible a burnt track, evidently the course of the electric fluid; near the wall close to the creek there was a large quantity of rafters (charred) and shingles, which must have been carried from the roof where the lightning first struck. The damage done is estimated at considerably over £500. The plant is insured, it is said, in the Pacific Insurance Company. It is reported that the storm has done serious damage in the district. The only case as yet of which I have heard is that of Mr. Thomas Atkins, where the roof of the cottage and the roofs of the outhouses at his farm on the Windsor Road were carried bodily away across the road by the wind, and deposited in Mr. Braddick's orchard.

NEW YEAR'S DAY AT NEWCASTLE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

New Year's Day, in this city, was ushered in in the usual manner by the firing of guns, ringing of bells, music, and the usual street disturbances. The morning was very hazy, and the heavy shower which fell shortly before noon promised to spoil the day's enjoyment. This, however, did not prevent thousands of holiday-keepers from visiting our city, and we have been informed that on very few occasions have the numbers conveyed by train been equalled. The hill and beach were thronged by picnic parties; whilst the wharfs were also crowded by pleasure-seekers desirous of witnessing the annual regatta. About noon the sky became bright and clear, and afterwards the day was one of the most delightful that could be imagined. The principal events on the card were—firstly, the regatta, which was a most unqualified success; then there was the Oddfellows' picnic in the A. A. Co.'s paddock, which was patronised by nearly 3000 persons, the principal inducement offered being a distribution of prizes; the day was spent very pleasantly, and those who attended had no reason to regret having awarded their patronage. The Guild of St. John's, West Maitland, chartered the Collaroy, which vessel arrived in harbour about 2 o'clock, well filled with passengers, and left again about half-past 4. The steam-tug Tamar and Commissary General proceeded round the harbour well filled with passengers desirous of witnessing the regatta. Altogether the scene was a most animated one, and seldom has New Year's Day in Newcastle been celebrated with such right hearty goodwill. The following is the result of the different matches in the regatta:—

First Race.—Dingy Race, for members of the Newcastle Rowing Club, under 16 years of age, pulling a pair of sculls, to be handicapped. First prize, £1; second prize, 10s. J. Caddy, 10 lbs., 1; L. Arnott, 20 lbs., 2; W. K. Lockhead, 3.

Second Race.—For members of the N. R. C. under twenty-one years of age, pulling a pair of sculls in Club boats. First prize, a pair of sculls; second, a smoking cap. J. T. Hollingshead, 1; H. Frost, 2; W. J. Weatherill, 3.

Third Race.—Licensed Watermen's Race (handicap), in bona fide working boats, pulling a pair of sculls. First prize, £3; second prize, £2. M. O'Brien, feather, 1; J. Dunnett, 35 lbs., 2; R. Hickey, 100 lbs., 3.

Four Race.—For members of the N. R. C., pulling two pairs of sculls in Club boats. First prize, two goblets; second prize, a pair of sculls and a smoking cap. J. T. Smith and T. Caddy, 1; M. Richardson and E. Chester, 2.

Fifth Race.—For bona-fide skiff, under canvas. First prize, £10; second prize, £1. Challenger—W. Rinker, 1; Pelican—T. Worland, 2; Dart—A. Miner, 3.

Sixth Race.—For members of the N. R. C., pulling a pair of sculls in Club boats. First prize, a silver inkstand; second prize, two pairs of sculls. T. Caddy, 1; J. T. Smith, 2; T. Woods, 3.

Seventh Race.—For members of the Naval Brigade, pulling four oars, in uniform. First prize, £16; second prize, £4. Galatea—W. Skelton, John Oldfield, Henry Morris, William Watters, 1; Spy—Robert Buhl, John Johnson, James Croft, Charles Harvey, 2; Lorn Bride—W. Ahern, W. Sparks, J. Albert, James Bull, 3.

Eighth Race.—For open boats under canvas, not exceeding twenty-two feet; skiffs and centreboards excluded. First prize, £12; second prize, £2.—James Steel, 1; James Wood, 2; James Huntsdale, 3; John Gyles.

Ninth Race.—For members of the Newcastle Rowing Club, pulling four pairs sculls, in boats not exceeding twenty-seven feet. First prize, 4 silver goblets; second prize, 4 gold pencil-cases. Lorn Bride—J. M'Konzie, W. J. Weatherill, J. Place, G. A. Lane, 1; Spy—A. M. Richardson, A. Watt, A. Hunter, R. Fleming, 2; Galatea—T. Caddy, C. Hudson, J. Caddy, C. Cook, 3.

Tenth Race.—Ballast, Coal Trimmers, and Lightermen's Race, pulling a pair of oars in licensed watermen's working skiffs. First prize £8; second prize, £2. J. Bull and W. Bennett, 1; Robert Buhl and John Johnson, 2; E. Beeston and G. Pearce, 3.

Eleventh Race.—All Comers, pulling four pairs sculls, in boats same class as ninth race. First prize, £16; second prize, £4. Lorn Bride—M. O'Brien, A. Green, A. Miller, R. Campbell, 1; Spy—R. Hickey, James Hughes, James Campbell, Thomas Warland, 2; Galatea—J. Dunnett, E. Beeston, J. Limeburner, T. Jackson, 3.

Twelfth Race.—For amateurs in light watermen's working skiffs, pulling two pairs sculls. First prize, £8; second, prize, £2. Post Boy—Martin Jordan and Thomas Jordan, 1; Galatea—Henry Burns and George Burns, 2; Athlete—John Pile and Edward Jordan, 3.

Thirteenth Race.—Gig and dingy. The gig not to be less than 25 feet long; the bowman of the gig to touch the man in the dingy within fifteen minutes; dingy to keep in open water. Prize, £2. Gig—A. M. Richardson; dingy—S. Holt.

It is *gratifying* to know that, although there were such a large number of entrances and races, not a single *contre-temps* occurred to mar the pleasure of the day's proceedings.

Newcastle, Tuesday morning.

EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN NEWS.

We are in possession of San Francisco papers to the 11th November. The telegraphic news from Europe contains no items of importance beyond those already received via Suez. From the *Alta* to the above date we take the following:—

London, November 9.—The Lord Mayor's show, with the usual display and procession to Westminster Hall, took place to-day. The festivities closed with the usual banquet, given by the Lord Mayor at Guildhall, which was attended by a brilliant company, consisting of Ministers, members of Parliament, Ambassadors, and other distinguished persons. Among the guests were Gladstone, several members of the Cabinet, and Schenck, the American Minister. The toast to the Diplomatic Corps, which was fully represented, was responded to by Schenck, who, in the course of his remarks, made a grateful and feeling allusion to the sympathy shown for Chicago in its great calamity. His speech was loudly and significantly applauded. Mr. Gladstone, replying to the toast of her Majesty's Government, said that he was thankful to be able to state that, at the present moment, England had actually no quarrel, feud, or controversy with foreign powers anywhere on the surface of the globe. England's place in Europe was that of one among many sisters inseparable from the European family, but he was glad that her peculiar position removed her from risks of European dissensions. Peace was never so certain as now. He believed that the sentiments of friendship and attachment which had been expressed by the Minister of the United States on the part of the American people for their brothers in Great Britain, were universally felt in the breasts of both nations. When, said Gladstone with much earnestness, the American Minister spoke of relief for Chicago, the heart of this great hall answered him. America has been before equally ready to pour out her treasure for our relief. (Prolonged cheering.) The treaty of Washington, he continued, not only obviated future controversies, but it was an extension of that international code which was the most remarkable of the triumphs of modern civilization, and might possibly inaugurate the peaceful arbitrament of all disputes among nations. The Premier concluded by declaring that England had little to fear from internal troubles, and that the International Society, a source of so much apprehension to her neighbours, caused no uneasiness here.

Paris, November 9.—A terrible explosion occurred in a coal mine, near St. Etienne, while the gangs were at work. None of the men have yet been recovered alive. Twenty-two bodies have been taken out, and thirty miners are still in the pit, all of whom are supposed to be dead. The explosion was caused by fire-damp. In the General Council of the Eure yesterday, Minister Pouyer Quertier said that Thiers, who had been opposed to making Military Service obligatory, was beginning to yield before the necessity of such a measure to bring the army up to the proper standard of efficiency.—The General Councils of the Departments throughout the country are considering the subject of Compulsory Education. Several have already adopted that system, many have declared in favour of it, and there is good reason to believe that all will eventually accept and carry it into practical operation.

Berlin, November 9.—Extensive strikes are reported at Elbing, an important port in Eastern Prussia, noted for manufactures, especially sugar refineries, woollen, and other factories.

Berlin, November 10.—The ceremony of unveiling the statue of the poet Schiller was observed to-day in the presence of the Emperor, the Crown Prince, Prince Frederick Charles, and Mr. Wrangel, President of the Reichstag. The crowd present at the ceremonial was large, and to the last degree enthusiastic. The North German *Gazette* (official) says, in its editorial columns to-day, that the Cabinet changes just effected at Vienna will in no respect affect the relations between the Court and the Court of Berlin.

Dublin, November 10.—The trial of Kelly, who has been accused of the assassination of chief-constable Talbot, of this city, was concluded to-day, the jury rendering a verdict of not guilty. During the continuation of the trial public interest has been active, the general feeling of citizens being strongly in sympathy with the prisoner, and immense crowds have thronged the Court-room each day since the opening of the examination. The evidence adduced utterly failed to establish the charge of murder brought against the prisoner, and the announcement of the acquittal of Kelly was received with the wildest feelings of satisfaction by hundreds who had waited in the vicinity of the Court-room in expectation of the verdict. Subsequent to his discharge he was greeted with an enthusiastic reception which amounted to an ovation.

London, November 10.—The navigation of the Baltic is closed for the season in consequence of ice.

The news from New York of the disaster to the whaling fleet caused an immediate advance in the price of sperm oil.

Rome, November 9.—The Quirinal Palace is in course of preparation for the permanent residence of King Victor Emmanuel on his approaching arrival.

Los Angeles, November 9.—There are seventeen prisoners now in custody, whose cases have been submitted to the Grand Jury, besides a number of others who have been referred to by the Coroner's jury as having encouraged and incited the mob of the 24th ultimo, to the deeds of violence that were then committed. Following is Judge Sepulveda's charge to the Grand Jury:—"Gentlemen of the Grand Jury: Lawlessness has again raised its monster head in our midst, and in the most inhuman manner has satisfied its barbarous instincts. The scenes enacted on the evening of the 24th of October, when eighteen human beings were mercilessly murdered by a mob, have sent a thrill of horror throughout the State, and a page is marked in the record of Los Angeles for ever indelible, making the name of this community a reproach to humanity and civilization. After the hanging of Lacherais, nearly a year ago, I took occasion to charge the Grand Jury with reference to mob violence and made use of the following language: 'By your speedy, vigorous, and legal action you will impress upon men the belief that their safety and happiness greatly depend in yielding obedience to the laws of the land and in having due respect for constituted authority; that the violation of law only entails to us injustice, cruelty, dissension, anarchy, and immorality.' That Grand Jury saw fit not to act in the matter. Will you do likewise in this instance? We see the bitter consequences that follow impunity; will you challenge the vengeance of Divinity by violating your oath? Shall law stand for naught and immorality and crime have high carnival in our community? I cannot believe that, in the presence of the enormities committed, you can remain indifferent. It is not possible that moral apathy can go so far. Remember, gentlemen, the accountability you owe to society—act and be true to your manhood, morality, and to mankind. You must indict all who, after the hearing of legal evidence, you consider as deserving punishment for crimes committed within the country. Set an example of true courage in the performance of your duty. Be faithful to your trust. In this way only can you satisfy an offended God, violated law, and outraged humanity."

New York, November 9.—Thomas C. Fields was arrested to-day, and gave bail in 200,000 dollars.

Tweed has not resigned, and will not. He was at his office this afternoon, and was called on by many friends. He will take his seat in the senate on opening day. O'Donovan Rossa will, however, contest the seat on the ground of illegal voting and false canvassing, to prove which he is said to have plenty of witnesses.

New York, November 10.—Tammany members of the Board of Aldermen and the assistant aldermen held secret caucus Wednesday night, and it is believed they will attempt to hold over another year on the same ground that other officials hold over, alleging that the election of a new Board is unconstitutional. Some damaging exposures of the leaders are threatened unless they are backed up in their claim. It is now rumoured that Hilton will resign from the Department of Parks; Hanz Smith, Tammany Republican, will resign from the Police Commission, and Hetchman from the Fire Commissioners. The order for the arrest of Ingersoll has been given, and Woodward will probably be arrested to-day. The *Tribune* says that Ingersoll is still in the city, and ready with his bondsmen. The orders in all cases of prosecution for municipal frauds will be returnable before Judge Larned, of Albany. Tweed has not yet given notice of his appearance to the prosecuting attorney. Unless he does so within twenty days from the date of arrest, the case will go against him by default. The case of Haggerty and Baulch, voucher robbers, did not come up yesterday. The District Attorney says Graham, counsel for the defence, asked a postponement, to look over the testimony taken before the Grand Jury. He hopes to discover ground for special plea to quash the indictment. The cases comes up next week. The *Sun*, says a well-informed gentleman, stated yesterday that Tweed will resign from the Public Works Department, and that the Mayor will appoint General M'Clellan. The latest returns from the State give the Republican ticket 17,000 majority. There was an unprecedented amount of independent voting, and the majorities for the Republican Senators and Assemblymen are generally considerably larger than for the State ticket. The Assembly stands—96 Republicans to 32 Democrats.

Los Angeles, November 10.—During the late sand-storms which swept over the plains with great violence, between 30,000 and 40,000 sheep are reported to have perished, blinded and smothered by dust and sand, in the vicinity of Tehatchape Pass.

Kingston, Jamaica, November 6, via Havana, November 10.—Advices from Aspinwall are to the 26th instant. The Spanish war steamer Tornado was still watching the American steamer Virginia in that port, and an attempt at capture was apprehended, in spite of the protectorate assumed over her by the Grenadian Government and the United States Consul. Peruvian advices state that a riot had occurred in Lima during the election, in which six persons were killed and seventy wounded. Political troubles continue in Guatemala. The Archbishop and Bishop have been exiled for complicity with the late revolutions.

The

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 2.

Cairnmore, ship, 1000 tons, Captain Daley, from San Francisco 13th November, in ballast. Learmonth, Dickinson, and Co., agents.

Tokatea, barque, 805 tons, Captain P. Jones, from Auckland 16th December, in ballast. A. S. Webster, agent.

Kiama (s.), 200 tons, Captain Meaney, from Moruya, Clyde, and Ulladulla. Passengers—Mrs. Whalen, Miss Whalen, Mr. and Mrs. Tuck, Miss Manning, Messrs. Shiel, Hobbs, Cannon, and 6 in the steerage. I. S. N. Co., agents.

Rangatira (s.), 740 tons, Captain Paddle, from Melbourne 30th December. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Crocker, Miss Fraser, Messrs. E. A. Housman, H. Considine, J. M'Donald, M. Lyons, Master Lydiard, and 30 in the steerage. A. S. N. Co., agents.

James Hannell, barque, 340 tons, Captain Gibson, from Manilla 1st November. Passengers—Mrs. Gibson and child. Colonial Sugar Co., agents.

DEPARTURE.—JANUARY 2.

Lady Young (s.), for Brisbane.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 3.

Moneta, for Boston; Sir John Lawrence, for London; Hannah Newton, for Broad Sound; Witch, for Singapore; Leonidas, for Bulli; Lady Franklin, for Hongkong; Rangatira (s.), for Melbourne, James Paterson (s.), for Maryborough; Mystery, for Brisbane.

CLEARANCES.—JANUARY 2.

Mystery, schooner, 100 tons, Captain Irving, for Brisbane.

Lady Young (s.), 421 tons, Captain Hill, for Brisbane. Passengers—Mrs. Williamson, Rev. G. G. Wood, Messrs. Day, H. J. Adams, Mitchell, Hewitt, Dartmore, Whitson, Rogers, J. Living, W. Brown, and 13 in the steerage.

COASTERS INWARDS.—JANUARY 2.

Clara Crawford, from Manning River, with 500 bags maize, 5000 feet cedar, 21 sides bacon, 15 hides; Centurion, from Macleay River, with 660 bags maize, 36 hides; Peri, from Kiama, with 80 tons stone; Thomas and Henry, from the Richmond River, with 36,000 feet timber, 58 bags maize; Celestia, Byron, Clara, from Newcastle, with 780 tons coal; Peahen, from Brisbane Water, with 4000 feet hardwood, 2000 felloes; 9000 laths, 300 spokes, 830 palings; Maitland (s.), from the Hunter River, with 44 bales wool, 120 bales hay, 25 casks tallow, 20 bags potatoes, 7 bags onions, 19 bundles wild ducks, 8 baskets prawns, and sundries.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—JANUARY 2.

Annie Brooks, for Bermagui; Clara Crawford, Celestia, Byron, Clara, for Newcastle; Peahen, for Brisbane Water.

IMPORTS.—JANUARY 2.

Rangatira (s.), from Melbourne: 2 cases plants, 250 bags wheat, 6 packages ink, 16 quarter-casks wine, 280 cases fruit, 67 bags onions, 147 bags potatoes, 11 packages and a quantity of general cargo for Queensland.

James Hannell, from Manila: 15,706 bags sugar, Colonial Sugar Company.

EXPORTS.—JANUARY 2.

Baiciutha (s.), for Broad Sound: 3 packages brandy, 10 packages hardware, 1 coil rope, 1 keg chain, 2 boilers, 2½ packages machinery, 1 case boots, 2 oars, 18 sale blocks, 18 packages.

City of Adelaide (s.), for Melbourne: 3 cases drapery, 1 package wine, 23 bales flax, 60 h des, 81 cases fruit, 4 baskets preserves, 67 bags oysters, 25 bags maize, 1 dog, a quantity of ore, 2 packages.

Lady Denison, for New Caledonia: 6 kegs powder, Curcier and Ade; 4 cases oilstores, Fraser and Co.; 70 boxes candles, Moyerfield and Co.; 38 bags heads rum, 250 cases geneva, 57 bags beans, 250 cases galvanized iron, Montefiore and Montefiore; 35 bags salt, Cowlishaw, Brothers; 23 packages powder, J. Verge.

Moneta, for Boston: 1863 bales wool, Scott, Henderson, and Co.; 530 bales wool, Morse, Denny, and Co. Recapitulation: 2393 bales wool.

Cires, for Rockhampton: 689 packages wines, beer, and spirits, 5 cases chicory, 2 cases coffee, 60 packages tea, 6 cases galvanized iron, 61 packages oilstores, 40 bags rice, 10 boxes soap, 12 packages limejuice, 1 bale paper, 100 bags salt, 6 empty tanks, 3 tons coal, 121 bags maize, 19 packages hardware, 12 bales hay, 10 pack ages crackers, 3 cases saddlery, 5 packages powder, 6 cases acid, 15 stoves, 140 cases kerosene, 11 packages.

SHIPS' MAILS.

Mails will close at the General Post Office as follows:—

For Melbourne.—By the Rangatira (s.), this day, at 3.30 p.m.

For Maryborough and Rockhampton.—By the James Paterson (s.), this day, at 4 p.m.

For Hongkong.—By the Lady Franklin, this day, at 6 p.m.

For Grafton.—By the Agnes Irving (s.), and New England (s.), this day, at 7.30 p.m.

For Fiji and Friendly Islands.—By the Reconnaissance, on Thursday, at 6 p.m.

Curios House.—Entered Outwards, January 2.—Tien Tsin, barque, 254 tons, Captain M'Kinlay, for Launceston, via Newcastle; James Paterson (s.), 357 tons, Captain Saunders, for Maryborough and Rockhampton; Rangatira (s.), 469 tons, Captain Paddle, for Melbourne.

The iron clipper Cairnsmore arrived yesterday from San Francisco, having performed the round voyage from Sydney in four months. Her passage from her last port has occupied 49 days, an excellent run considering the prevalence of light winds and vexatious calms that have been experienced, and fully establishes the character she has acquired, for being a vessel possessing great speed. On reference to the log it would appear that the Cairnsmore left San Francisco on the 13th November, carrying light winds to the Equator; the ship averaging daily only five knots; a fine breeze then set in for two days, but was again followed by fourteen days of light airs and calms, the vessel's speed being reduced to from two to three knots; only moderate breezes succeeded, and continued to Howe Island, which was sighted on the 30th ultimo, on which date the A. S. N. Co.'s steamer Havilah was signalled in latitude 29·50 S., longitude 160·30 E., bound for New Caledonia. Captain Daley has taken advantage of the fine weather experienced on the passage to refit his vessel, and thoroughly clean and paint the lower hold and 'tween decks, and beyond the slight delay that will occur for the purpose of placing her in dock, and coating the bottom, she is in first-class order to receive her freight for London, for which port she has been laid on. The Cairnsmore is consigned to Messrs. Learmonth, Dickinson, and Co., and we are indebted to her commander for files from San Francisco to November 11th, bringing two days later than received by the Nevada mail steamer.

The cargo of the Kiama (s.) consists of 156 bags bark, 13 bags potatoes, 10 bags oysters, 4 bags fish, 14 hides, 2 bales and 2 rolls leather, 71 cheeses, 153 pieces timber, 187 kegs butter, 7 calves, 6 cases eggs, 29 pigs, 5 coops fowls, and sundries.

Captain Philip Jones, a well known commander from this port, especially in the New Zealand trade in connection with the Kate, Alice Cameron, and Novelty, arrived yesterday from Auckland, in the barque Tokatea, recently purchased there. She is a fine wholesome-looking craft, of good carrying capacity, and should from appearance be a smart ship, and if kept in the colonial trade will prove a valuable addition to our fleet. Captain Jones reports of his passage that he sailed on the 16th ultimo, and has had a succession of light airs and calms throughout.

The A. S. N. Co.'s s. Rangatira left Sandridge pier on Saturday, 30th December, at 2.30 p.m., cleared Port Phillip Heads at 6 p.m. passed Wilson's Promontory on the 31st, at 4 a.m., rounded Gabo Island at 10 p.m., entered Sydney Heads on the 2nd instant at 1.30 a.m., made fast alongside the company's wharf at 2.30 a.m., having been detained outside the Heads for three hours owing to a dense fog. Experienced light variable winds and fine weather throughout the passage.

The steamship Lady Young took her departure for Brisbane yesterday afternoon.

NEWCASTLE.

ARRIVALS.

January 1.—Stranger, schooner, Walkley, from Dunedin.

January 1.—Anne Mehulah, barque, Williams, from Wellington.

DEPARTURE.

January 1.—Dandenong (s.), Captain Thorn, for Melbourne, with 500 tons coal.

COASTERS INWARDS.

January 1.—Albert, Polly Hopkins, Rebecca, Yarra, Hebe, Dart, Agnes, Southern Cross, Drover, Colonist, Annie Taylor, Vibilia, Woniora, Myall, from Sydney.

January 2.—Prompt, from Sydney.

MELBOURNE.

ARRIVALS.

December 29.—Asia, from London.

SUPPOSED BURNING OF A SHIP.

(From the Argus, December 30.)

The secretary of the Merchant Shipping and Underwriters' Association has supplied us with the following information from the advices of the association's agent in Fremantle, respecting the supposed burning of a ship off the western coast of Australia:—

A large figure-head and part of the stem of a large vessel have been found on Rottenest Island. Apparently the vessel to which they belonged has been burnt, the inward part of the wreck being much charred. The figure-head is a half-length of a man in old buccaneer costume. The wood is American pine, and had large bolts with the nuts still on, looking as if the parts found had dropped into the water after the main woodwork of the bow had been burnt away. The inscriptions on the scrolls seem to suggest the name of the "Look Out," although this is only inference. The following is a copy of the description received from the port pilot:—

"The figure-head consists of the bust of a man, from the waist to the shoulders, the head, neck, and back part of the figure being evidently destroyed by fire. The figure is clothed in a blue coat, open in front, with yellow buttons and button holes up the breast. There is no waistcoat, but a loose shirt and large handkerchief knotted round the neck, with the ends flowing loosely over the breast. It has also a broad belt, with a large square buckle, round the waist, and what appears to be the hilt of a cutlass at its side. From the waist downwards is all scroll and carved work of capital workmanship, and another scroll runs down towards the stem on each side, with the following words cut in on the port side, 'A sharp look out,' and on the starboard, 'Keep a sharp look.' The scroll has evidently continued down the the stem, and that part of it containing the remainder of the motto as given. The words are gilded on blue ground. The figure is cut out of soft wood, and is very much chafed, I should say by rubbing and grinding over the reefs. Evidently it has not been long in the water, from there being no worm-holes, barnacles, or sea-weed about it, and the charred wood at the back appears quite fresh. There are five large bolts of about 2 inch iron, the longest being about 5 feet long, which have connected the figure with the stem. The bolts are perfectly straight, and it appears the wood has been burnt away from them, and the figure thus become detached. The part of the figure found is about 6 feet long, and measures about 3 feet in diameter, and, in my opinion, has belonged to a vessel of at least 1400 tons register.

"(Signed) G. A. Forsyth, Port Pilot.

"Fremantle, W. A., 8th December, 1871."

[With respect to the above, we learn from Captain Devey, commander of the ship Strathnaver, that the ship Blue Jacket, Captain White, which was destroyed by fire off the Falkland Islands, on 9th March, 1869, while on her passage from Lyttelton (N.Z.), to London, was furnished with a figure-head, scroll, and motto exactly of the character described in Mr. Forsyth's report. The fact of westerly winds and currents prevailing in the high latitudes would readily account for the wreck reaching the western shores of Australia. The absence of seaweed, &c., on wrecks is always observable in cold climates.—Ed. *S. M. H.*]

ADELAIDE.

ARRIVALS.

December 22.—Black Diamond (s.), from Sydney; Phillis, Harriet King, Claymore, from Newcastle.

December 25.—Alexandra, from Hongkong, via Batavia; White Eagle, from London; Adler, from Sydney.

December 28.—Otakisi, from Newcastle.

DEPARTURES.

December 22.—Acacia, for Brisbane.

December 25.—Southern Belle, for Sydney; Isabella, for Petropauiowski.

CLEARANCES.

December 23.—Southern Belle, barque, 340, M'Callum, for Sydney and Newcastle. Passenger—Mr. Munro. Cargo: 342 tons flour, 818 quarters wheat, 400 bushels pollard, 240 bushels bran.

SAN FRANCISCO.

DEPARTURES.

November 7.—John Ritsch, for Newcastle.

November 8.—Charmer, for Newcastle.

CLEARED OUTWARDS.

November 6.—Springwood, for Newcastle.

CHARTERED.

November 11.—Favorita, Corsica, for Newcastle and back on private terms; Aerolite, for Hongkong, via Newcastle, terms reserved.

VESSELS IN HARBOUR.

Abergeldie, ship, 1300, Fowler, at Circular Wharf, Fraser and Co., agents. For London.

Agnes, schooner, 61, Chambers, at Market Wharf, Brown, agent. For Cleveland Bay.

Allahabad, ship, 1188, Crispin, at Circular Wharf, Willis, Lloyd, and Co., agents. For London.

Aurora, American ship, 1858, Norton, off Cuthbert's Wharf, Captain, agent.

Alice Cameron, barque, 347, Carter, at Patent Slip Wharf, Laidley and Co., agents. For Auckland.

Ben Lomond, ship, 980, Muir, at Circular Wharf, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co., agents. For London.

Basilisk, H. M. S., 6 guns, Moresby, in Farm Cove.

Border Chief, ship, 1010, Leslie, at Circular Wharf, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co., agents. Discharging.

Camillia, barque, 261, in Lavender Bay, Biffin and Clarke, agents. For sale.

Canadienne, French ship, 853, Equiro, at Parbury's Wharf, Smith, Brothers, and Co., agents.

Chance, schooner, 80, Frazer, in Waterview Bay, Captain, agent.

City of Madras, ship, 999, Helly, at Circular Wharf, Frazer and Co., agents.

Condor, French barque, 430, Brequet, at Alger's Wharf, M'Donald, Smith, and Co., agents.

Coquette, schooner, 120, M'Leven, at Smith's Wharf, Smith, Brothers, agents.

Corrido, barque, 281, Hilderbrandt, in Neutral Bay, A. S. Webster, agent.

Derwent, brig, 221, Rae, in Johnson's Bay, Captain, agent.

Diabot, schooner, 69, Geiet, of Woolloomooloo Bay, Captain, agent.

Edith, ketch, 23, Pison, in Johnston's Bay, Captain agent. For S. S. Islands.

Gem, schooner, 100, M'Lennon, in Darling Harbour, Captain, agent.

Hannah Newton, schooner, 160, Willing, at Commercial Wharf, J. Haynes, agent. For Broadsound.

Harriet Armitage, barque, 270, Leesing, at Lime-street Wharf, Captain, agent.

Helen, schooner, 180, Kenny, in Woolloomooloo Bay, Captain, agent.

Jason, ship, 980, Leslie, at Town's Wharf, Towns and Co., agents.

Lavina, schooner, 100, Brodie, at Roddam's Wharf, Captain agent.

Lalla Rookh, brig, 190, Jackson, in Darling Harbour, R. Puckley, agent.

Lady Franklin, barque, 236, Geise, in Darling Harbour, Wallach, Brothers, agents. For Hongkong.

Lion, barque, 216, Howard, at Throckmorton's Wharf, A. S. Webster, agent.

Madura, barque, 314, Brouton, at Grafton Wharf, Colonial Sugar Company, agents. For Hongkong.

Margaret, schooner, 110, Harold, at Circular Wharf, Grant, agent.

Maria, brig, 300, in Woolloomooloo Bay, D. Golin, agent. For New Guinea.

Mary King, schooner, 73, Warrick, at Grafton Wharf, Captain, agent.

Mary Campbell, schooner, 140, Loutitt, in Darling Harbour, J. Campbell, agent.

Meteor, barque, 310, Oliver, at Grafton Wharf, Rabone, Fees, and Co., agents.

Moneta, ship, 800, Sinclair, at Macnamara's Wharf, Scott, Henderson, and Co., agents. For Boston.

Mystery, schooner, 82, Irving, at Circular Wharf, Parbury, Lamb and Co., agents.

Norman, barque, 310, Bryce, at Campbell's Wharf, Skinner, agent. For Levuka.

Nubia, R. M. S., 1500, Farquhar, in Waterview Bay, H. Moore, agent.

Ocean, brig, 180, Lyons, in Johnston's Bay, Captain, agent.

Parramatta, ship, 1300, Swanson, at Circular Wharf, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co., agents. For London.

Pattiarch, ship, 1321, Pite, Circular Wharf, Montefiore, Joseph, and Co., agents. For London.

Reconnaissance, barque, 340, Watson, in Hely's Dock, Captain, agent. For Levuka.

Rescue, schooner, 254, Bowman, at Towns's Wharf, Towns and Co., agents.

Sir John Lawrence, ship, 679, Fernie, at Circular Wharf, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co., agents. For London.

Sobrason, ship, 2100, Elmslie, at Circular Wharf, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co., agents.

Sir Humphrey Davy, barque, 296, Davy, at Macnamara's Wharf, Fourwade, agent. For London.

Speedy, brig, 274, Hardy, in Darling Harbour, Captain, agent.

St. Nicholas, American ship, 1798, Williams, at Macnamara's Wharf, Learmonth, Dickinson, and Co., agents. For San Francisco.

Storm Bird, schooner, 91, Hurley, in Darling Harbour, Captain, agent.

Strathdon, ship, 1010, Jamieson, at Circular Wharf, Montefiore Joseph, and Co., agents. For London.

Strathnaver, ship, 1100, Devey, in Neutral Bay, Gilchrist, Watt, and Co., agents.

Surprise, schooner, 70, Amison, at Circular Wharf, Dunn, agent.

Spec, brig, 230, Eury, at Towns's Wharf, R. Towns and Co., agents.

St. Marys, U. S. sloop of war, 16 guns, in Farm Cove

St. John, American ship, 1870, Chapman, at Walker's Wharf G. Dibbs, agent. For San Francisco.

Tien Tsin, barque, 254, M'Kinlay, at Hely's Wharf, Captain, agent.

Wemyss Castle, ship, 700, Nicoll, at Parbury's Wharf, Mason, Brothers, agents.

Western Star, brig, 179, Allen, at Alger's Wharf, Laidley and Co., agents. For Cleveland Bay.

William Duthie, ship, 968, Thompson, at Circular Wharf, Young and Lark, agents. For London.

Wild Wave, brig, 191, M'Leod, at Campbell's Wharf, Campbell and Co., agents. For South Sea Islands.

Wilhelmina, barque, 546, Willinbrooke, at Parbury's Wharf, Colonial Sugar Co., agents.

Witch, American barque, 473, Barsley, at Campbell's Wharf, Towns and Co., agents.

Windhover, brig, 207, Roell, at Campbell's Wharf, Captain, agent.

Zinka, brig, 190, Scaplehorn, at Campbell's Wharf, Daniell, King, and Co., agents.

VESSELS EXPECTED IN SYDNEY.

FROM LONDON.

Agnes Rose, 991, Farves.
Alexander Leslie.
Brunkley Castle, 1104, Wallace, October 25. Sailed.
Centurion, 1100.
Christiana Thompson, 900, Murray.
Commissary, Wagstaff.
Damascus, 1100.
Dilbhar, 1307.
Duke of Athol, 963.
Essex, 1255.
Ethiopian, Faulkner.
Harlaw, Phillips.
Hawkesbury, 1120, Sayers, October 27. Sailed.
Iron Duke, 1435.
Jubilee, 764, Monkman, October 13. Sailed.
The Tweed, 1744, Stewart, October 31. Sailed.
Thomas Bell.
Windsor Castle, 979, Cargill,

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Alestrar, 843.
British Consul, 1396.

FROM GLASGOW.

Tamerlane, 764.

FROM HONGKONG.

Balacia.
Neville.
Onward, 606, Whyte.
Siam.
Jane Spiers.

FROM BATAVIA.

Barentin.

FROM POOCHOW.

Woodbine, 291, Ware, October 28. Sailed.
Jane.
James Wilson.
Hannah Nicholson.
Adolf.
Rose.

FROM PUGET SOUND.

Mary and Edith, 490, Webb.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Mary Ann. Sailed October 23.

WINDS AND WEATHER.

JANUARY 2.

	9 A.M.	3 P.M.
Queensland.		
Cardwell	SE. Raining	
Townsville	SE., strong. Fine	
Bowen	SE. Fine	
Port Mackay	Calm. Fine	
Clermont	NE. Fine	
Rockhampton	Calm. Fine	
Maryborough	Calm. Fine	
Roma	Calm. Fine	
Brisbane	Calm. Fine	
Toowoomba	NE. Fine	
N. S. Wales.		
Tenterfield	NW. Fine	NW. Fine
Casino	Calm. Fine	Calm. Fine
Grafton	NE. Fine	NE. Fine
Clarence Heads	NE., fresh. Fine	NE. Fine, sea smooth
Glen Innes	SE. Raining	SE. Fine
Inverell	Calm. Dull	Calm. Fine
Port Macquarie	NE. Fine	NE. Fine
West Kempsey	NE. Fine	NE. Fine
Armidale	W. Fine	W. Fine
Tamworth	W. Fine	W. Fine
Gunnedah	Calm. Fine	W. Fine
Nariabri	NE. Fine	Calm. Fine
Muswellbrook	W. Fine	Stormy
Murrurundi	W. Fine	Stormy
Singleton	W. Fine	SW. Fine
Maitland	Calm. Fine	NW. Fine, hot
Port Stephens	Calm. Fine	NW. Fine, hot
Newcastle	NNE. Fine	NE. Fine
Berrenjuee	NE. Fine	W. Fine
Windsor	W. Fine	W. Fine
Sydney	NE. Fine	W. Fine
South Head	Calm. Fine, sea smooth	W. Cloudy, fine
Wollongong	NE. Fine	NE. Fine
Kiama	NE. Fine	W. light. Fine
Jervis Bay	Calm. Foggy	NE. Fine
Goulburn	Calm. Fine	W. Fine
Braidwood	NW. Fine	NW., strong. Fine
Araluen	NE. Fine	NE. Fine
Moruya	E. Fine	Calm. Fine
Queanbeyan	Calm. Fine	W. Strong. Fine
Bombala	Calm. Fine	NW. Fine
Cooma	Calm. Fine	NW. Fine
Eden	NE. Fine	SSW., fresh. Showery
Gabo Island	W. Fine	SSW., fresh. Cloudy
Yass	Calm. Fine	S. Fine
Gundagai	Calm. Cloudy	SW. Cloudy
Tumut	Calm. Fine	Calm. Fine
Kiandra	NNW. Fine	NW. Fine
Albury	N. Fine	Calm. Cloudy
Mount Victoria	W. Fine	Calm. Like storm
Bathurst	W. Fine	W. Cloudy, like storm
Carcoar	E. Fine	W. Stormy
Mudgee	Calm. Fine	
Cassilis	SE. Fine	
Merriwa	Calm. Fine	
Wellington	W. Fine	
Dubbo	Calm. Fine	Calm. Thunderstorm
Orange	NW. Fine	Calm. Thunderstorm
Forbes	N. Fine	NE. Very hot
Grenfell	Calm. Fine	SE. Fine
Young	Calm. Fine	SE. Fine
Wagga Wagga	W. Fine	W. Fine
Urana	Calm. Fine	W. Fine
Deniliquin	E. Fine	SW. Fine
Hay	NW. Fine	SW. Fine
Moulamein	SW. Fine	SW. Fine
Balranald	SE. Fine, hot	SW. Fine
Euston	SW., strong. Fine	SW. Cloudy
Wentworth	SW. Fine	SW. Cloudy
Victoria.		
Melbourne	W. Fine	
Cape Schank	NW. Overcast, cool	
Cape Otway	SW., thick. Raining	
South Australia.		
Adelaide	SW. Fine	

READING OF BAROMETER AND THERMOMETER, 9 A.M.

Barometer.—Melbourne, 29·854; Cape Schank, 29·63; Cape Otway, 29·662.

Thermometer.—Melbourne, 58 S.

[By Electric Telegraph.]

MELBOURNE.

ARRIVALS.

January 1.—Tamar (s.), from Launceston; Northern States, from Mauritius; Louisa, from Saigon; Prosperity, from Hongkong; Bebar (s.), from Sydney.

January 2.—Leicester, from Frederichstadt; Thomas Stephens, from London.

DEPARTURE.

January 2.—Antiope, for Madras.

SYDNEY HEADS.

DATE.	TIME.	WINDS.	REMARKS.
Jan. 2.	8.30 a.m.	E.	Light, and clear.
	Noon.	N.	Ditto, and cloudy.
	5 p.m.	N.	Ditto, and ditto.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, SYDNEY.

Latitude 33° 51′ 41″. Longitude 10h. 4 m. 46s.

Magnetic variation 9° 33′ 29″ East. 9th September, 1871.

The time ball is dropped daily (Sundays excepted), at 1 p.m. Sydney mean time, or 2h. 55m. 14s. a.m., Greenwich mean time.

Meteorological Observations.

Barometers corrected to 32° Fahr., and to mean sea level.

Velocity of wind, measured in miles per hour, and the force deduced from velocity.

Rainfall and evaporation measured in inches.

Scales of { Humidity, 0 to 100. Cloudy sky, 0 to 10. Ozone, 0 to 10.

JANUARY 1, 1872. CIVIL RECKONING.

Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature in Shade.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Velocity.	Wind. Force.	Cloudy Sky.	Rain.	Ozone.
A.M. 9	30·008	66·8	89	S.	15	1·1	10	0·52	5·0
P.M. 3									
9	29·920	68·0	91	ENE.	8	0·3	7		4·5
Mean ...	29·964	67·4	90·2		12	0·7	8·5		4·8

Evaporation in 24 hours, 0·084.

SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS.

Shade { Maximum ..... 58·3 Sun-maximum ..... 113·0
Minimum ..... 51·3 Grass-minimum ..... 43·1

Thermometer with black bulb in black wool, and protected from wind, maximum, —

Temperature of sea water, 3 feet below the surface, at Fort Denison, at 9 a.m., 71·4.

Total rainfall from January 1st to January 2 = 0·518 inches.

Annual average of the preceding thirteen years = 50·793 inches

Meteorological Stations,

arranged in order of latitude, with distance from the coast, and height above sea, where it is known.

Only eight of the stations have barometers and hygrometers.

Stations.	Distance from coast in miles.	Height above sea in feet.	At 9 A.M.—Jan. 2, 1871. Barometer.	Temper. in Shade.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	For 24 hours previous to 9 a.m. Max.	Min.	Rain in Inches.
W. Mayl'd	16		—	—	—	Calm.	0·0	81·5	58·3	0·42
Orange	132	2891	—	—	—	NW.	9·0	86·9	62·8	0
Bathurst	100	2206	29·787	83·8	46	NW.	9·0	100·3	60·3	0
Woodford	50	2192	29·899	73·0	—	W.	0·1	78·4	61·7	0·01
Far'matta	16		—	—	—	NE.	—	79·0	68·8	0·
Sydney	8	155	29·765	74·3	84	E.	0·3	75·3	65·2	0·
Wynyard	52		—	—	—	SW.	4·0	94·3	60·8	0
Wellington	0		—	—	—	NE.	4·0	79·7	65·7	
Goulburn	57	2129	29·783	81·2	40	WSW	0·4	86·3	53·1	0·08
W. Wagga	164		—	—	—	W.	1·0	98·1	58·9	0
Queenyan	63		—	—	—	Calm.	0·0	82·2	61·7	0
Deniliquin	278	410	29·984	73·0	58	E.	4·0	97·1	53·8	0
Kiandra	84	4640	29·190	63·7	47	NW.	1·0	74·5	35·4	0
Cooma	47	2637	—	—	—	NW.	16·0	—	46·8	0
Albury	168	572	—	—	—	N.	1·0	92·5	—	0
Eden	6	107	29·537	80·7	48	NE.	1·0	84·0	63·1	0·02

Astronomical Memorandum for January 3, 1872.

Object.	Rises.	Sets.	Phases of the Moon.	
	h. m.	h. m.		
Sun	4.55	7.14	Last quarter	4th
Moon	—	11.1 a.m.	New moon	11th
Mercury	5.2 a.m.	6.56 p.m.	First quarter	17th
Venus	2.9 a.m.	3.41 p.m.	Full moon	26th
Mars	7.30 a.m.	9.8 p.m.		
Jupiter	8.5 p.m.	6.1 a.m.	Moon's age, 21·9 days.	
Saturn	5.2 a.m.	7.10 p.m.		

Moon.—In Equator, 4th; G.S. Declination, 10th; in Equator, 16th; G.N. Declination, 24th; in Equator, 31. Perigee, 10th; Apogee, 23rd.

High water at Fort Denison, a.m., 12h. 29m.; p.m., 12h. 49m.

H. C. Russell, Government Astronomer.

SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

EARLY IN JANUARY will be published the TITLE and INDEX to the volume of the Sydney Mail for 1871. Subscribers who require copies of the above for binding can have them by applying at the publishing office, Hunter-street; or to the Agents in town and country.

MISS OR MRS.? A Christmas Story in Twelve Scenes, by WILKIE COLLINS, Purchased expressly for THE SYDNEY MAIL.

MY FIRST MUSIC LESSON. A large-sized engraving. See SYDNEY MAIL, 6th January.

BLADE-O'-GRASS, a New Year's Tale. SYDNEY MAIL.

MISS OR MRS.? BY WILKIE COLLINS. SYDNEY MAIL.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S TALES. SYDNEY MAIL.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.—REDUCTION in RATES of Premiums on all Building Risks in Sydney and Suburbs. Offices—181, Castlereagh-street, near King-street.

SUGARS, ex CONDOR.—This cargo of finest WHITE and YELLOW CRYSTAL SUGARS will be sold at the City Mart TO-DAY, at 11 o'clock. The Trade are requested to be in early attendance.

R. F. STUBBS and CO., Auctioneers.

TO COUNTRY STOREKEEPERS AND THE TRADE.—MYERS and SOLOMON, 542, George-street, two doors south of Park-street, are now in receipt of regular shipments of CHINA, GLASS, EARTHENWARE, and KEROSENE LAMPS.

MYERS and SOLOMON have also just completed arrangements to display samples of the above. This being a new branch, and the shipments of a recent date, no OLD STOCK can have accumulated.

Assorted Crates made up expressly for country trade, £6 15s. per crate.

The OLD-ESTABLISHED HOUSE FOR VALENTINES.

VALENTINES! VALENTINES! VALENTINES!

Ten cases of the above, in NEW and BEAUTIFUL designs, manufactured to OUR ORDER for this season, now on SALE.

MYERS and SOLOMON, 542, George-street.

THAT well-known SHOP to LET, at the corner of Mort's Passage. Apply J. BULLARD, 360, George-street. Five doors from the old premises.

NOTICE to the Public of Paddington, Woollahra, and Waverley. ICE may be obtained in small quantities at W. D. EAMES'S Branch Shop, near the Public School.

UPWARDS OF 200 SPLENDID FRAMED OLEOGRAPHS, CHROMOTYPES, &c, now EXHIBITING (and on Sale) at the Temperance Hall. Drawing for Pictures given as PRIZES POSTPONED till FRIDAY, January 5, 9 p.m., when Exhibition closes.

OMNIBUS ADVERTISING!! HENRY GRIFFITHS, 174, Pitt-street.

The Sydney Morning Herald.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1872.

The agitation in England with regard to the curtailment of the Liquor Trade seems to have assumed a new and more decided phase. The Alliance to oppose the public-house system and to obtain the Permissive Liquor Bill has organised a more strenuous movement. It is stated by the *Times* that £100,000 has been raised to promote the agitation. We believe that the sum has not been yet contributed, but large subscriptions of from one to five thousand pounds make it probable that this amount will be reached. The last Parliamentary campaign seemed at one time likely to terminate in a practical measure, but this was frustrated by the resolute opposition of the brewers and distillers, assisted by other mutual auxiliaries. The friends of the Alliance were dissatisfied with the Bill of the Ministers, and indeed it seems to have been very vulnerable. The new movement contemplates a more thorough reform, and will therefore meet clear and definite opposition from the parties concerned in the public-house interest, in which an enormous capital is embarked. The consumption of alcoholic drinks is estimated by the *Times* at one hundred millions sterling per annum, at a moderate calculation. Such a vast sum must imply strong interests to be overcome, as well as prevailing habits to be modified. Archbishop Manning has indeed told the working men of England that if they cannot get the key turned inside, the door must be locked outside. This probably was only a humorous speech, but it seems to be an invitation to look to force.

One thing appears to be admitted by all parties, that the prevalence of drunkenness in England is becoming an intolerable burden and a national disgrace. Nothing can be more distinctly clear than this admission by all classes of the people who would claim to consider moral questions. It is the opinion of Parliament, of the judges, of all religious denominations, and of every kind of labourer for the reform or relief of the people. There is no doubt about it. There is therefore no argument. The only question is as to the means which are consonant with justice and right for the arrest of an acknowledged mischief. It is stated in an article in the *Times* on a recent gathering of the Alliance, that the effect of any law for the curtailment of the liquor trade must be confiscation—that it must give authority to certain persons to interfere with a trade under the sanction of law. The word confiscation is used as definitely describing the design and operation of the Permissive Bill. But it is admitted that every plan for the control or restriction of the trade intended to diminish consumption must have that character. Regulations of some kind or other are introduced by which the sale is hindered. But the sale is necessary to the profit, and to stop the sale therefore is to stop the profit. An investigation has however shown that in the article sold there is a constant use of ingredients different from those professed. For instance, there enter into the elements of beer as sold by public-houses, ingredients which are low-priced, compared with the assumed value of the article dispensed. One analysis showed a difference of two thirds in the prime cost of the superadded article. It is however stated that none of the tests discovered what are understood as deleterious substances. This would be indeed rather an argument for the analysis of the article sold, than for the prohibition of that which is genuine. It is to meet the question as so defined that the two parties have entered into opposite lines.

The persons most qualified to combat the liquor trade are those who discard the use of all kinds of intoxicating drinks. The teetotalers have a simple proposition. They believe that this one hundred millions of money is not only wasted, but that it is wasted in an injurious consumption. They assert that the proper way is to cease the consumption altogether; that it is useless to debate whether this or that kind of drink is most desirable; and that the only method to get rid the evil is by treating it as such in every shape and form. This, however, opens a very wide question. The premises are absolutely denied by a part of the people, and practically disowned by an immense majority. How then can any reformer hope to carry a law by which the liquor trade can be suppressed?

On the other hand, defenders of the trade say that any legal measure which seeks the disuse of such beverages, while admitting they are innocuous and perhaps useful, goes beyond the scope of law. They assert that regulations ought to be sustained for the purpose of securing public order, but not for the prevention of the consumption of intoxicating liquors; that while men drink but do not riot or become dangerous to the public, the quantity must be subject to their own choice, and that the motive of the publican will be precisely that of all shopkeepers—to get as many customers as possible, and to encourage the use of the article he sells. We do not know how this logic is to be met by any short answer having for its aim the restriction of the trade; and we fear the force of logic is not with those who maintain the right of consumption and desire limitations.

The world, however, cannot be governed by absolute ideas. That there is a great evil among us is patent to all men. It is eating away the life of the people. It is not to be met by any declamation against intemperance. But philanthropists, and even economists, regard its existence as a national danger as well as a public loss. To arrest it in some way or other is an obvious duty, not from any logical standpoint such as would satisfy the teetotaler, but because it is found to be a source of misery and wretchedness to a great mass of the people. It is found that every low public-house has its surrounding of drunkenness; that an increase of such public-houses multiplies the number of drunkards; that in every neighbourhood where a house of this description is established it demoralizes a section of the people; that the inducements offered to consumption daily and hourly destroy the lives of men; that every newspaper shows a victim; that every gaol delivery shows a criminal, who has been made so by this fatal snare. It, therefore, becomes necessary to do something. No man has yet propounded an effectual remedy. But it is thought that by stopping the multiplication of public-houses, and by suppressing those that are manifestly unfit, this be promoted. Men who discard logic as an absolute guide are therefore prepared to acquiesce in some such measure. They say that the evil is so terrible, and increasing so fast, that it must be arrested. If there is no other way of stopping a fire it must be done by a barrel of gunpowder

EXCURSION OF THE BALMAIN PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL.—The annual excursion given by the teachers to the children attending the Balmain Presbyterian Sabbath School took place yesterday at Balmoral. These popular picnic grounds have lately undergone a thorough renovation, and as the old ricketty wharf has been replaced by a substantial structure excursionists are now able to land with safety. The steamer Goolwa which was engaged for the picnic yesterday, left the Wharf at Balmain at 10 a.m., and duly arrived at Balmoral, where every amusement was provided for the holidaymakers. The Rev. A. C. Smith, from Melbourne, was present, and took a great interest in the enjoyment of the little ones who were supplied with an abundance of holiday fare, consisting of cakes, sandwiches, fruit, and confectionery. The excursionists were brought back to Balmain at 6 p.m. thoroughly well pleased with their picnic which, thanks to the teachers, assisted by Captain H. Pettit, the master of the Goolwa, passed off without an accident.

MR. DUFFY ON AUSTRALIAN NATIONALITY.—At a dinner given at Ballarat, the Hon. G. Duffy wound up his speech as follows:—"We have every inducement to unite, for there are here all the conditions of a happy and prosperous country if we agree to enjoy its blessings in peace and good fellowship. The sun in his circuit does not look up in a land where individual and public liberty is more secure, where industry has a more sure reward, where a career is wider open to capacity and integrity, or where more genial skies shed health and pleasure on a people. We have all the elements of a great nation in the seed. I may apply to Australia the graphic language of one of my friends—we have more Saxons on this continent than King Arthur had when he founded the realm of England; we have more Celts than King Brian had when he drove the Danes into the surges of Clontarf; we have more Normans than followed William the Conqueror to Hastings; and to fuse these into a nation, it only needs the honest adoption of the sentiment that we are all one Australian people."

A SQUATTER CHARGED WITH CATTLE-STEALING.—A most extraordinary case of cattle-stealing (says the *Tenterfield Star* of 28th ultimo) has just come to light near Bercdemeer. Mrs. Stitt is the proprietress of a large station—Rimbanda station—twelve miles from Bendemeer, with thousands of cattle. Her son John Stitt has been managing matters for her, and is charged with taking the neighbouring squatters' cattle. This was suspected for a long time, and a few days ago a quantity of wool was being sent down to Sydney by Stitt, and was intercepted on the road and searched by virtue of a search warrant. Among it were found eighteen hides, fourteen of which were recognised as belonging to cattle the property of Messrs. Morse and Tourle, Cooper and Blaxland, and other squatters in the neighbourhood. A warrant for Stitt's apprehension has been taken out, and the police (according to the latest information we have received) were looking for their man.

A SINGULAR CHARGE.—ROBBING A BEEHIVE.—At the Tenterfield Police Court, on the 27th ultimo, as reported in the *Star*, James Cowell, a boy of 12 years of age, was charged with robbing a beehive, the property of Mr. Walsh, of the Public school, High-street. Sergeant Goldrick stated that he had received information concerning the robbery of Mr. Walsh's beehive, on Friday last, and at about 10 o'clock the same night he apprehended the boy before the Court. He found him sleeping in a box at the back of Mr. Heydon's store, and charged him with the robbery. Since then the lad had confessed to being one of the parties, but had told so many tales, that he did not know which to believe. He had endeavoured to get evidence, but failed to do so, and he therefore wished to withdraw the charge. His Worship severely reprimanded defendant, and threatened that if he came before him again, he would be sent to the Vernon, or have three months in gaol. He hoped this would be a lesson to him, and that instead of sleeping about in boxes or in the bush, as appeared was his custom, he would in future remain at home and behave himself. The lad was then discharged. In connection with the above the *Star* states, "Our attention has been called to the fact that for some time past two children (boys), aged respectively 7 and 10 years, have been roving about the town subsisting as best they can, while at night they sneak round to the backs of one or other of the various stores, and make empty cases their bed. On Thursday night Mr. H. Heydon had occasion to go to one of the cases just unpacked, standing at the back of his brother's store, and having straw in it, when to his surprise in putting his hand in he caught hold of a child's leg. No sooner had he done so, than an infant voice from the inside of the case appealingly said, "Let's sleep here to-night, sir, and we'll camp at the Maryland store to-morrow night." This is certainly a pretty state of affairs to exist in our midst, for mere infants to be allowed to rove about the streets sleeping wherever they can get a place to lie down in. This too, with their mothers alive, and living in the town.

AN IMPUDENT CASE OF CATTLE-STEALING.—The *Armidale Telegraph* relates that Mr. Kinsella, the bailiff, had levied upon and advertised for sale ten working bullocks, the result of a judgment given in the case of Moore v. Lockhart, and for security sake had lodged the animals in a paddock in Moore Park until the sale on the following day. The animals were seen as late as 9 p.m. on the night of Wednesday, by two of Mr. Moore's men, quite safe, the gate being locked at the time, but on the following morning they discovered the gate had been wrenched from off its hinges, and the animals driven away.

A JUST REBUKE.—During the performance of the finale to the "Messiah," at the Melbourne Town Hall, on Christmas night, a rush was made to the doors by a portion of the audience. Mr. Lee, the conductor, stopped it abruptly in the middle. The stoppage looked as if it had been rehearsed, for, at a signal from Mr. Lee, all was as still as death. Of course (observes the *Leader*), the people who were scrambling out looked unutterably insulted, and most of them settled down promptly somewhere or other. The piece was then resumed, and went to its conclusion with no further disturbance.

THE MURDER OF MR. ZIEMAN.—The George's Bridge correspondent of the *Tamworth Examiner* writes: The examination of the prisoners supposed to have been connected with the murder of Mr. Simeon Zieman has terminated, and resulted in the acquittal of them all with the exception of Patrick Collins, who has been committed to take his trial at the Circuit Court to be held at Toowoomba, Queensland, on the 29th January, charged with the wilful murder of the above named gentleman. This trial was longer in duration than any that ever occurred here previously; it occupied the attention of the Court for a space of ten days. The evidence was very voluminous. The principal piece of evidence against the prisoner was a small strap or keeper composed of plaited greenhide, used for the purpose of carrying hobbles, which was attached to his (prisoner's) saddle. One witness (Aitken) positively swore to the strap as one he presented to Mr. Zieman when leaving Tartella the morning of the murder. The deceased had also a greenhide riding whip, with what is called a Turk's head plaited on the heavy end; the Turk's head was found suspended to a twig near where the deceased was found; the remainder of the whip was found in Mrs. Beckett's bedroom at Tartella, but how it got there no evidence was given. There was also blood found on the boots of the prisoner. Collins, but that can be found on the boots of any person who rides hard, especially if they wear spurs, and it was proved that Collins was out riding the day on which the murder is supposed to have occurred, by himself; but there were others also on the station out riding that day. Collins presented to some of the business people in St. George a cheque to the amount of £35, but *without* any signature. The handwriting in the body of the cheque was Mr. Zieman's, and it was proved to be in his possession the night he stopped at Tartella, that is to say the night before the murder.

TOOKEY COMPANY.—The *Ballarat Star* of Saturday, 23rd ultimo, says:—"The following communication has been received from the mining manager by this mail:—'I have to report that the main level from the company's shaft along the course of the Caledonia Reef is now in 109 feet 6 inches, the reef varying from 4 to 7 feet thick. In the present face the stone is more compact, and looks well, although no gold has been yet seen in it. There are now 15 tons being crushed to test its value. On the 11th, we cut through either the main reef from the workings at the Caledonia end, or a branch or offshoot from the foot-wall: we drove along the foot-wall and met with bend turning at an angle of from 30 to 40 degrees from the true line across the drive, but believing it to be only a leader, we continued the drive straight, and broke through the head wall. The reef or leader so cut being only 3 feet thick, intersected with bands of country. Visitors to the mine circulated the report that the main reef was cut through, no gold visible. On this becoming known, a regular panic ensued, and shares fell from £40 to £20 quoted, but subsequently raised to £25, at which they now stand. There is still quartz showing in the hanging wall, which indicates that the main reef may still be found in that direction, and that the leader we have passed through may only be a branch. Two similar junctions with the main lode having been met with, both of which made the connection at the same angle that this has turned from the true line of the lode. We are now extending the level along the course of the leader and opening up space to put men on to drive into the head wall to prove whether the main lode may not be in the apparent hanging wall; this will take eight or ten days to prove definitely. I enclose herewith a tracing of the working plan up to the present time, which will show you that there is still about twenty feet to drive to intersect the centre of the main reef of gold traced in a true line through the Caledonian workings to this point, and should this prove to be the main reef, which, at this point is much disturbed, yet are the line of gold is reached it may become consolidated and rich. It appears, both to myself and all other competent judges on the field, who have expressed an opinion on the matter, that the run of gold cannot pass any other way than through your mine, and that you must get it, providing it does not entirely run out. I would, therefore, recommend that you should endeavour to avoid giving any definite expression of opinion calculated to create a panic such as has been here, until further proof is obtained. Tribute works—The returns during the current month from tribute works are about equal to former yields; but as two of the tribute parties are now cleaning out, we have deferred sending the usual list till next boat leaves. On the report relating to the main reef having been cut in the Tookey workings from the Caledonian claim having been circulated, and a report that it was going into the Caledonian claim, their shares raised in price from £60 to £85; but an expression of opinion being given that it was impossible for the golden run passing through the Caledonian mine, their shares fell again to £67, at which they are now quoted."

TELEGRAPHIC DESPATCHES.

AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATED PRESS TELEGRAMS.

MAITLAND.

TUESDAY.

A HORSE harnessed to a baker's cart ran away today. The cart upset, and a boy named Smyth was thrown out, and so seriously injured, that there is but slight hope of his recovery.

MUDGEE.

TUESDAY.

There has been considerable excitement to-day in connection with the election. The returns which have come to hand are as follows:—

	Parkes.	O'Connor.
Mudgee	492	132
Green Swamp ..	24	4
Pipeclay ..	6	31
Apple Tree Flat ..	10	1
Cudgegong ..	24	3
Gulgong ..	187	134
Guntawang ..	24	9
Upper Meroo ..	3	1
	680	365

Returns from Hargraves, Windeyer, Woolah, and Merrandee, have not yet been received, but there can be no doubt now as to the result of the election.

MELBOURNE.

TUESDAY.

The boat which left the Sussex wreck on Sunday night capsized in the breakers. One man got ashore, but he cannot account for the remainder. It is feared that they are lost—the third mate (O'Flaherty) and five other seamen.

The steamer and lighters are returned from the wreck of the Sussex. A heavy gale is blowing.

The loss of the Southern Insurance Company on the cargo of the Sussex is reported to be £5000.

It is believed that Masterton's estate will pay twenty shillings in the £ on assignment.

Advices from Mauritius state that 500 tons of the Highflyer's cargo of sugar from Mauritius are for Sydney.

The settling on the races is progressing satisfactorily.

The Nymph (German warship) is now in the bay. She will shortly leave here for Sydney, and then make a cruise among the islands of the Pacific.

Cape news, which has just come to hand, shows that there is continued success in the diamond mines. The Cambrian (s.) alone took away £80,000 worth.

James D. Doyle, journalist and secretary to the Industrial Schools Commission, is dead.

ARRIVED.—At 10.30 a.m. the City of Adelaide (s.), from Sydney. The Behar (s.) came in yesternight.

ADELAIDE.

MONDAY.

To-day is being kept as a close holiday. The town is empty.

On Saturday evening there were large sales of wheat at 5s., and of country flour at £11 5s.

TUESDAY.

Wheat is very firm at 5s. Town flour has been sold at £12 5s.

3200 bags of Mauritius sugar ex Canton were sold at auction to-day, and realised as follows:—Ration, £25 10s.; low yellows, £28 15s. to £30 7s. 6d.; fine yellow counter, £35 17s. 6d. to £37 17s. 6d.; Brewery crystal, £37 to £37 17s. 6d.; white crystals, £38 5s. to £40.

A few lines of teas ex Alexandra, were also sold at fair rates.

The Adelaide offices were not heavy losers by the loss of the Sussex.

A parcel of new wheat was sold at 4s. 11½d., and town flour at £12 10s.

WARM DEBATES.—The *Deniliquin Chronicle* relates that on Wednesday the Borough Council met at Craigie, a town in Victoria, and an altercation ensued apparently referring to the enforcement of the payment of rates and to irregularities in licenses. A councillor named Darby, alluding to a letter that had appeared in the local paper, denounced it as "bosh" and as "jesuitical and ungrammatical." Subsequently turning to Councillor M'Taggart, he addressed him as "Mr. Councillor Johnny M'Taggart." The Mayor called the speaker to order. Councillor M'Taggart retorted by threatening to "hit Mr. 'O'Darby' on the nose" if he did not call him by his proper name. Later on, by the report in the Majorca *Independent* "a scene ensued which it is impossible for one individual to report. The two councillors called each other nick-names. Councillor Darby was saying the councillors stood before the public as honest men, and they had never been before the police-court for selling stolen goods. Councillor M'Taggart wanted to know if he had? The retort followed that Councillor Darby poisoned people with liquor. The Mayor in vain endeavoured to call the councillors to order." Councillor Darby presently apologised "if he had been offensive in his remarks!" But later he was again engaged in "a passage of words" with Councillor M'Taggart. The latter, however, obtained an advantage over his antagonist by calling him "a dirty cuttle fish." Further on, Councillor M'Taggart thus dealt with Councillor Darby:—"You said I had been convicted for pawnbroking without a license; that's a lie. For receiving stolen property; that's a lie. I will meet all your charges, and prove you false." After the Council meeting was over, the *Independent* reports several fights took place. The first one arose out of the proceedings of the council, and was between the Mayor and Councillor M'Taggart, opposite Arno'd's store. The former overhearing certain remarks addressed to a few gentlemen about him, struck Councillor M'Taggart, and after a round the police interfered. Subsequently it was found that Mr. M'Taggart had his shoulder put out, and, being placed under chloroform, after some difficulty, the bone was set right. The doctor was then called to attend on the Mayor, who, it was ascertained, was suffering from a wound in the right ear, the cavity of which was nearly torn away, and the ear otherwise hurt.

OPERATIC CARNIVAL.—Madame States and her talented troupe have taken the Exhibition building for the purpose of holding a promenade carnival of opera, on the evening of Monday, the 8th instant. From the evidence we have already received of the great ability of this troupe, there is little doubt that the undertaking will deserve success.

MADAME STATES' GRAND CONCERT.—The third and last concert of the series which the States' troupe arranged to give at the Masonic Hall, took place last evening before the largest and most fashionable audience they have yet appeared before in Australia. This they may accept as a flattering recognition of their merits, for, as a rule, those who are the best patrons of musical performances in this city are not prone to give increased support to artists if they do not come up to the standard expected from the reputations which they bring here. Fashionable audiences are sometimes thought to be rather sparing of their applause, but if we may judge from last night's concert even first-class artists will find nothing to grumble at, as there were not merely recalls after almost every piece, but persistent demands which were conceded to with apparent reluctance. Madame States' rendering of the "Cavantina Bel raggio," from the opera of "Semiramide," was extremely fine, and she eclipsed it by the admirable manner in which she sang, by request, the "Bolen," from "Il Vespri Siciliani." This she was compelled to repeat, and the magnificent crescendo shake introduced gave those present a high opinion of her vocal powers. In the concerted pieces she was not less successful, particularly in "the dust, "Dunque io son," from "Il Barbiere," when she shared an encore with Signor Orlandini, who was in splendid voice, and also vocalised the ballad, "A Father's Love," from "Lurline," with undeniable skill. Perhaps the best proof of his powers as a great operatic artist was in the comic duet with Signor Buisini, "Io vorrei sentile," from "Don Pasquale," in which the singing was so admirable, and the facial expressions of both baritone and basso so provocative of mirth, that a repetition proved inevitable. "Pro peccatis," from the "Stabat Mater," was another successful effort of Signor Buisini, and also the aria "Madamina," from "Don Giovanni." The tenor, Signor Cecchi, who acquitted himself with a large degree of credit, sang "Spirito gentil," from "Favorita," in good style, and obtained great applause for the manner in which he took his part in the duet "Oh! sole piu rapido," from "Lucia di Lammermoor." Signor Giorza, the musical director, may be complimented upon having already created the reputation of being one of the most brilliant pianists heard in Australia. In addition to his duties as accompanist, he performed several solos. Two of these were magnificent specimens of instrumentation—"Le cloches du Monastere" being remarkable for expression and delicacy of touch, while the "Galoppe du Bravura" was equally marked by the rapidity of fingering which he displayed.

CHINA Matting.—The attention of drapers, upholsterers, storekeepers, shippers, and others, is called to Messrs. Bradley, Newton, and Lamb's sale of 1600 rolls of the finest China matting, ex Canadienne, to take place this day, at their Rooms, Pitt and O'Connell streets, commencing at 11 o'clock.—ADV.

We are requested to call attention to Bradley, Newton, and Lamb's sale of 1600 rolls finest China matting, ex Canadienne, commencing this day, at 11 o'clock.—ADV.

OUR MELBOURNE LETTER.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30.

THE genial season and the opening of a new year should have their effect upon all of us—statesmen and commoners alike, and we may hope therefore that any disposition to quarrel over the Border duty question will be overruled, and that goodwill and harmony will prevail between the two colonies during the coming year, and that each will be able to rejoice in the prosperity of the other. At present, however, it must be admitted that the two Cabinets are assuming rather a stiff bearing towards each other, and the Victorian bristles show symptoms of getting "up." Mr. Halloran, on behalf of the Colonial Secretary, addressed Mr. Duffy by letter, dated the 15th, enclosing copy of the resolutions adopted by the Legislative Assembly two days previously, and asking the concurrence of our Government in those resolutions. The letter then points out at some length the steps which would have to be taken for the purpose of securing an accurate return of the traffic, and from this part of the letter it may be gathered that merchants are to have all the trouble of passing entries and clearing goods that would accompany the actual payment of duties. Mr. Duffy, however, passes over this part of the communication rather curtly, and hints that it will be time enough to arrange the machinery when the basis of the contract is settled. The resolutions of the Assembly, Mr. Duffy treats as simply a proposal of the Government. The gist, however, of the despatch which Mr. Duffy has forwarded is contained in the three following paragraphs, which are to the effect that most people expected. He says—

"You propose that the Government of Victoria shall contract to pay £60,000 a-year to New South Wales, and as much more as may prove to be her due—which we are perfectly willing to do. But you omit to make any provision requiring New South Wales to refund any proportion of the £60,000, if it shall appear, as we contend it will when exact statistics are obtained, that £60,000 is more than your colony is entitled to receive. Such a proposal, if indeed this be what is intended, need only be stated to be rejected.

"This Government is willing to continue 'the terms and conditions of the present agreement' for another year, by which New South Wales will receive £60,000 certain, without any charge for collection, and Victoria will remain bound as she is at present not to impose a tax on any stock coming into the colony by way of the Murray.

"Or we are willing to make a new contract under which New South Wales shall receive the exact amount to which she shall prove to be entitled, be it more than £60,000 or less."

The contract for the third section of our North-eastern Railway was signed two days ago, and one of the contractors has already started for Wodonga, for the purpose of commencing operations at that end, while another will begin in a few days at Benalla. The price to be paid for construction of this third section is, in round figures, three hundred and sixty thousand pounds. This is, of course, exclusive of the cost of land and incidental compensations. There was a general impression on the public mind that, although a portion of this line had already been laid, the Commissioner of Railways intended, as soon as Parliament was up, to alter the gauge; but the action of the Legislative Council thwarted any such design if it was entertained, and the whole of the two hundred miles will now be constructed on the same gauge as the existing lines. By the outgoing mail, however, the Commissioner of Railways is forwarding a carefully prepared statement to the Agent-General, which the latter will use in obtaining from eminent engineers in Europe, India, and, probably, America, information and advice on the relative merits of the broad and narrow gauges. The Agent-General will be urged to get this information as early as possible, in order that the Parliament when it reassembles may have reliable data on which to base its action with regard to the intended extension lines provided for in the railway bill lately passed. The department has not yet commenced to survey the intended new lines—that is to say, beyond the preliminary or "flying" surveys made last year; but after the holidays the work will be put in hand. We are now committed to about 400 miles of new railway, with others looming in the distance.

Mr. Duffy has unquestionably adopted the wisest course he could do in regard to the appointment of a successor to Mr. Verdon. Any appointment of a local politician would have created jealousy and dissatisfaction to an extent which is not at all likely to be the case in conferring the appointment upon Mr. Childers. That gentleman is not new to the duties, and his intimate acquaintance with the colony and its wants qualify him peculiarly for the office. Being already in receipt of a pension from the colony, we effect a saving to that amount, as it is suspended during the tenure of a paid appointment. Moreover, the prestige of having a late First Lord of the Admiralty to represent us in London is something.

The proposal of the Sydney Government to establish a temporary steam service between the Roper and Normanton, for the purpose of utilising the submarine cable and making the most of our nearness (in point of time) to Europe and the East, was at first received here with much favour; but public opinion has veered round on a closer view of the matter, especially since South Australia declines to be a party to it, and proposes to run a horse express over the unfinished portion of their land line, which interval may be supposed to become smaller by degrees and beautifully less every week. This would not be the case with the sea trip from the Roper to the further side of the Gulf, although the land line between Normanton and Cardwell would be gradually approaching completion, and thus render the horse express journey less and less. It is suggested that South Australia and Queensland might come to an arrangement to connect their land lines at the head of the Roper, and carry on a sort of partnership business, which would lessen to each party the expense of maintenance, and provide against the very possible contingency of an occasional break-down over so long a stretch of land line. In the present temper of those two Governments, however, such an arrangement is not very probable. In the meantime it appears that we shall have to rely on the best exertions of the South Australians to bring us the European news as often and as quickly as they can. I believe that our Government is writing to the Government of New South Wales to this effect.

Owing to the Christmas holidays, our Chamber of Commerce has not yet done anything with the communications received by the mail on the subject of their proposal to establish an Australian Chamber of Commerce in London. Your mercantile readers are no doubt aware that the wool interest have determined to retain the character of the old New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land Association in the new organisation, and have made it essentially a Wool Brokers' and Importers' Association. The only difference seems to be that it is formed on a broader and more popular basis, taking the old committee as a nucleus. Some of the wool-growers seem almost as much dissatisfied with the new body as with the old, and the merchants here are scarcely likely to be satisfied with the issue of the recent movement.

The troubles of the National Bank are not yet at an end, although there are rumours of a compromise with reference to the late general manager which shall avert the threatened revival of the dispute about his dismissal. There was a ballot taken on Wednesday last for a new director in the place of Mr. Goodman, who had resigned; and so keenly was the seat contested that Mr. Sutherland, a former director, whose friends were confident of putting him in again by a large majority, was rejected by a majority of four. The successful candidate was a neutral man, so far a s the squabbles between the late manager and the Board were concerned, and this fact seems to have secured his return. The death of the late Mr. George Rolfe has occasioned another vacancy, which will be contested at the end of January, and three candidates are already in the field.

AN AUSTRALIAN VINTAGE.

HAPPY Christmas is past and gone, and the first month of the merry New Year has flown with it. Week by week, the summer's heat intensifies, and the sunlight quivers through the dense atmosphere.

Now, the wind is from the South, balmy and cool, and all nature is refreshed; then, the caves of the West are opened, and its furnaces give forth their fiery blasts; but, as a rule, there has been a gradual, steady increase of temperature for the last six weeks; the middays are intensely warm, and man and beast seek the shade of house and tree; the note of the bird is hushed, and the song of the *cicada* the only sound of living thing.

Early morning is the period for toil or pastime, when the mantle of night is but freshly folded, and the dew still glitters on the grass,—and the shades of evening the appropriate hour for "sweet converse" in the darkened room, deep verandah, or long aisle of winding vines.

But the grape—the luscious grape—is ripening all the while; it gains in size, beauty, and perfume with every sun; a richer purple or a mellower amber mantles o'er it; and a bloom pervades which the Great Master only could have lent.

Ho! to the Vintage, then! men and women! boys and maidens! Come from the hamlet and the plain, from the neighbouring vale and the distant hill! the grape will soon be bursting, and its glorious juice be trickling forth! Seize the baskets, and yoke the oxen! range through the lines of clustering vines, part the rustling leaves, and pluck the ruddy golden fruit; crown the baskets with the glistening bunches, and bear them, high on head, to the big casks that load the wain which those oxen, decked with garlands and tended by the chief vintager, are drawing to the "press," along the broad avenue—laughing children gambolling by the side, their faces smeared, and their hands suffused, with richest dyes.

At the "press," the red grapes are separated from the white, and each are crushed, pressed, and re-pressed in turn. The thick juice trickles into a trough below, whence it is borne to some great vat, where it ferments, and from which it is afterwards "racked" to one of the "butts" that fill the cellar from end to end—it may be racked again and again—and, as the now sparkling wine is thus passed from butt to butt, gurgling as it comes, and filling the atmosphere with luscious aroma, the heart of the grower is joyous; for he feels that the gift is from God himself.

Thus the Vintage glides along, peaceful and bright, from hour to hour and day to day, till the last grape is culled, and the last "strain" is given to the "press." Then come the feast and the dance; and the *vigneron* rests from his bountiful labours. But, from first to last, the Vintage is a season of joy and pleasantness. It seems but the other week (though in reality it is now some years), since I visited a large and prosperous vineyard, in the middle of a Vintage; and I shall never forget the picture of peace and cheerfulness, plenty and contentment, which it presented. From the venerable patriarch and his stalwart sons, down to the little grandchild that toddled at his feet, it was a day of thankfulness and rejoicing—a "harvest" under a Southern sky; for the yield was abundant, and the grape at the perfection of ripeness, its bloom the perfection of colour, and the "must" of the right degree. Quick of eye, and sure of hand, the merry gleaners passed along, from vine to vine, loading their baskets as they went. The "large-eyed oxen" waited for their fragrant burthen in the centre walk; and snatches of song rang through the air. And, when evening came, we drank the golden wine of a former year, within sight of the vines that produced it, and from goblets of silver won by itself in the Lists of fame.

Pure, generous wine is indeed a boon to man; and happy the Land that produces it: for it both strengthens and "maketh glad," refines and domesticates, clears the head, warms the heart, and knits the people in the bands of labour light, and pastime free. And it will be well for our Land when its use is universal, and the vine flourishes not only on the banks of the Hunter and the Williams, the Murrumbidgee and the Murray, in the gardens of Camden, and on the slopes of Buculla, and the hills of Port Macquarie, but on the banks of a hundred other rivers, too, in a hundred other gardens, and on a thousand other hills and slopes, fitted by nature, and ordained by Heaven, to be the vineyards of the Southern world.

What a scene shall our Vintage then be! Happy homes, and happy freemen covering the face of the country; self dependance and self respect shall quickly follow; a new spirit be infused; "old things have passed away," and a yearly Jubilee ring through our wide domains. Then we shall be a Nation and not a Colony; a People, and not a nameless jumble.

Meanwhile, "honour to whom honour is due"—to the Wyndhams and the Macarthurs, the Windeyers and the Doyles, Mr. Adams, and Mr. Fallon; for they have done more than any others to introduce and extend amongst us the growth of the best wines of Europe—while our climate and soil have lent to them a tone and character peculiarly their own, and given them a high place amongst the world's vintages. *They* are true friends both of temperance and humanity who enable their countrymen, of whatever rank or degree, to enjoy the pure juice of the vine at a trifling cost, and compete successfully with the "fortified" mixtures prepared by our Continental friends for the vitiated taste and strong stomachs of Englishmen, or the still viler stuffs brewed in London, and fathered upon France, Spain, or Portugal. And it is a sad reflection that an enormous proportion of our Public revenue is derived from duties on such drugs, and on foreign and British spirits—the source of most of the wretchedness and woe, and of three-fourths of the crime and madness, that prevail in the Colony.

Then, ho! to the rightful Vintage once again! To the merry vineyards of fair Australia! Let us prize—let us honour—the genuine grape, the growers, and the gleaners; and, with reverent head and grateful hearts, let us raise on high and quaff its pure juice whilst we may; improve the present; and shape the brightening future—striving, withal, so to live here below, that, when "the silver cord is loosed, and the golden bowl is broken," we may hope to be with Him who shall "drink of the fruit of the vine in his Father's Kingdom."

A. M'F.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION, THIS DAY.

G. KIBB.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, Harness, Saddlery, &c.; at Camperdown Yards, at 2, Horses.

HARRISON, JOSES, AND DEVLIN.—At Ellis and Co.'s Yards, at 12, Fat Wethers.

MORT AND CO.—At their Wool Warehouses, at 2.30, Wool, Sheepskins.

H. VAUGHAN.—At 5, Williams-terrace, Bourke-street, Woollomooloo, at 11, Household Furniture and Effects.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, AND LAMB.—At their Rooms, at 11, China Matting.

C. TEAKLE.—At his Rooms, at 11, General Drapery, Slops, &c.; at 12, Panorama of the late War and Pacific Railway.

W. PRICE AND CO.—At 344, George-street, at 10.30, Earthenware, Glassware, Lampware, China, &c.

R. F. STUBBS AND CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Mauritius Sugars, Java Rice, Jelly, &c.

S. WOOLLER.—At Dawson's Sale Yards, at 11, Horses.

A. MOORE AND CO.—At their Mart at 11, Clothing, Drapery, Watches, Jewellery, &c.

FAREWELL COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT TO MISS LUCY CHAMBERS.—To all who feel interested in promoting a taste for high class music, and developing any talent which the rising generation may possess in that way, it will be a matter of regret to learn that Miss Chambers is again about to leave her native city. An *artiste* who has studied in the best schools, and has taken high rank in her profession in Europe would have been a valuable addition to the list of resident professionals. This might have been the case if the lady had received sufficient encouragement to remain here; but, in the absense of remuneration such as she can obtain elsewhere, she has decided to seek a wider field for her talent. A number of influential residents bearing of her intended departure have tendered her a complimentary benefit at the Masonic Hall this evening, and their patronage has been supplemented by the voluntary services of almost all the available talent in local musical circles. An excellent programme is offered, and the entertainment promises to be as attractive as such a benefit ought to be.

BURGLARIES IN FIJI.—Burglaries appear to be common in Fiji. The stores of Messrs. J. Smith and Co., and Mr. Morey, and the house of Mr. Hamilton, are mentioned as having been entered and robbed.

THE INTER-UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE AND CRICKET MATCH.

A COMPLIMENTARY dinner was given last evening, in the merchants' dining hall, Sydney Exchange, to the Melbourne University cricket team and boat's crew. There were between sixty and seventy gentlemen present. *Mr.* M. Budekin occupied the chair. He had on his right, Mr. W. D. Wilkie, captain of the Melbourne Cricketers; and on his left, Mr. T. Collis, stroke of the Melbourne crew. Amongst other gentlemen who were present were Mr. F. E. Rogers, Crown Prosecutor, in the vice-chair—with Mr. Faithfull, captain of the Sydney team, on his right, and Mr. R. Teece, hon. secretary, on his left; Messrs. Willan and Cornish (Melbourne), Dr. Patterson, Mr. W. M. Alderson, Messrs. Dean, W. Curtis, Price, A. M. Allen, G. A. Mansfield, R. Smith, Q. L. Deloitte, L. J. Harnett, Merriman, Cape, R. Sly, G. Dess Thomson, J. Thompson, jun., A. Yeomans, Plomley, G. Smith, and Backhouse, jun. The dinner was served in an excellent manner by Mr. Pfahlert. The room was very tastefully decorated with trophies suitable to the occasion, flags, &c., by Mr. A. Torning. The large reading-room, well lighted with chandeliers, was used as an entrance or reception room, and was found of great convenience.

After the dinner had been partaken of,

The CHAIRMAN proposed the usual loyal toasts, which were drunk in a very loyal and enthusiastic manner.

The CHAIRMAN next proposed a toast to the health of the Melbourne Cricket Team and Boat's Crew. He was sure that it was the desire and hope of all present that this should not be the last occasion on which the New South Wales men might have the honour of proposing the healths of our Melbourne visitors. (Cheers.) Such contests as those which had just taken place could not but lead to very happy results both to those who represented this colony and to those who represented Victoria. He thought our thanks were due to our visitors from Melbourne for the kindly and considerate feelings they had expressed towards this colony. Though we did not win the boat race, the contest was carried on with honour on both sides. He expressed no opinion on the merits or demerits of any one who took part in the contest. He did not profess to be a judge of either of the contests. It was sufficient for him to know that the contests had been carried on with credit and honour to both colonies. And he trusted that the good feeling existing between the students of both Universities would become stronger and stronger every year. As these contests were carried on from year to year, the people of the two colonies would become more united, and a better feeling would be promoted. (Cheers.) It was now his duty to present to the stroke of the Melbourne crew the trophies which had been presented by Professor Pell, of the Sydney University. (Applause.)

Mr. WILKIE, captain of the Melbourne team, returned thanks on behalf of the Melbourne cricketers. He was free to acknowledge that the Melbourne team had been beaten on its merits; but he hoped that next year they would be able to do somewhat better. In the course of his remarks, he, on behalf of the Melbourne visitors, thanked the Sydney public for the uniform kindness and attention which they had bestowed on both the Victorian cricketers and crew during their stay in the colony, and he hoped that the time would come when that kindness could be reciprocated. (Cheers.)

Mr. COLLIS returned thanks on behalf of the Melbourne University crew. During their stay in Sydney they had met with nothing but uniform kindness; and he desired especially to acknowledge the kind attentions which the Melbourne crew had received from Mr. R. Teece. He believed that it was in a great measure due to that gentleman that the contests had been brought to so successful an issue. (Cheers.) To the Sydney people generally, he thought the thanks of the Melbourne visitors were also due. With regard to the steamer that got in front of the Melbourne boat at the late race, he expressed his opinion that the captain of the vessel was in no way to blame.

Mr. WILKIE then proposed a toast to the Sydney University cricket team and boat's crew. Although the Melbourne cricketers did not win the cricket match, he thought that they were entitled to some honour. (Cheers.) He trusted that another year would see them more successful.

Mr. M. FAITHFULL returned thanks on behalf of the Sydney University Cricket Club. No one could be more proud than he was that they had won the cricket match; although he had to acknowledge that they had the strongest team they could possibly get, whilst the Melbourne team did not consist altogether of the best men that could have been obtained.

Mr. TEECE responded on behalf of the Stroke of the Sydney crew. He desired to say one or two words on this occasion, as he had been in a great degree instrumental in getting a University Cricket Club established here. He confessed that, as regarded the boat race, the Sydney men were fairly beaten on their merits. They accepted the defeat in the best possible spirit, and in the hope that next year the positions of the two crews would be reversed. With regard to the cricket match, he thought the Melbourne team had no cause to be disconcerted at their defeat, because he had no hesitation in saying that they had been beaten by one of the strongest elevens that any one club in the colony could raise. There was one circumstance that to him was very gratifying—that was to see the enthusiastic interest which the public of this colony had manifested, and the encouragement which they had given to the contests. He believed that these friendly contests between the two Universities would tend to cement the two colonies together in one bond of union, and mutual dependence upon and interests in each other. He trusted, and he believed that the day was not far distant, when these inter-university contests would send a thrill of excitement throughout the colonies. We should then be better able to realise the words of the poet—"Australia, with her flag unfurled, a new Britannia in another world." (Cheers.)

Mr. F. E. ROGERS proposed a toast to the Universities of Sydney and Melbourne. In the course of his remarks he expressed a hope that the contests between the Universities, which had been so successfully inaugurated, would continue to take place year after year, and that the public interest in them would be increased.

Mr. R. SMITH, in a few appropriate remarks, returned thanks on behalf of the Sydney University.

Mr. M'ARTHERSON responded on behalf of the Melbourne University. He expressed his belief that these annual contests between the two universities would increase the friendly feelings between both, and would tend to awaken an interest amongst the members of each in the welfare of each other.

Mr. JOHNSTONE proposed a toast to the umpires.

Mr. W. PHILLIPS and Mr. PLOMLEY responded to the toast.

Mr. P. CARTER proposed a toast to the ladies, to which Mr. J. TEECE responded.

Mr. LONG proposed a toast to the "Press."

The toast having been duly responded to, the company broke up, after having spent a very happy and pleasant evening.

NEW ZEALAND INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following half-yearly report for the half-year ending November 30, 1871, was adopted at the general meeting of the shareholders, held at the company's offices, Auckland, on Wednesday, December 20, 1871:—

The directors, in presenting to the proprietors the balance sheet of the company for the half-year ending the 30th November, have the satisfaction to report that, after paying all losses actually ascertained, and making provision for most of those since heard of, they are able to declare the usual dividend of 10 per cent., amounting to the sum of £3750. The accounts annexed will show that the balance carried forward to the next half-year is £2960 9s. 1d., as against a sum of £4186 10s. 1d. brought forward at the last half-yearly meeting. The balance now brought forward has been reduced to its present amount by the losses which have come upon the company within the last few weeks.

In accordance with clause 68 of the Articles of Association, Messrs. Owen and Wilson retire from the directorship, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The dividend will be payable at the head office to-morrow, and at the branches on receipt of advice.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDING 30TH NOVEMBER, 1871.

PROFIT AND LOSS.

	Dr.	Cr.
To Dividend paid last half-year	£3,750 0 0	
Fire and marine losses	21,425 16 6	
Commission, and other expenses	6,915 5 10	
Appropriation for unpaid losses (including losses on investments)	22,514 0 0	
Balance	6,610 9 1	
	£61,215 11 5	
By Balance from last half-year		£7,936 10 1
Sundries		99 17 7
Fire and marine premiums		35,230 5 0
Interest, rent, transfer fees, &c.		5,892 18 9
Appropriation for unpaid losses, last half-year		12,055 0 0

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

Department of Public Works,
Sydney, December 20, 1871.

TENDERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS and SUPPLIES.—Tenders are invited for the following Public Works and Supplies. For full particulars see GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, a file of which is kept at every Police-office in the colony.

Tenderers may be in attendance when the Tenders are opened, and the name of the successful tenderer will be announced, if possible, before the duties of the Board have terminated.

No tender will be taken into consideration unless the terms of the notice are strictly complied with.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Nature of Works and Supplies.	Dates to which tenders can be received at this office.
Supply of Metal between Mony Mony Bridge and Engine Hill, Great Southern Road, 3rd District.	
Erection of a Passenger Station and Platform, Honeysuckle Point, Newcastle	
Supply of Railway Sleepers	
Erection of Privies at the Victoria Barracks	
Supply of Metal Great Southern Road, 2nd District.	10 o'clock a.m., on Tuesday, 9th January.
Contract 1-72—Goulburn to Collector Road	
2-72—Collector Road to Red House, 16 miles	
3-72—Red House to Collarin Tollbar	
4-72—Collarin Tollbar to Fish River.	
Landing Silt during 1872	
Road—Goulburn to Queanbeyan—Maintenance Metal.	
Contract 1-72—Thorn's Bridge to Saltwater Flat	
2-72—Tarago Bridge to 21st mile-post	
3-72—North end of Crisp's Cutting to Crisp's Bridge	
4-72—Northern base to top of Red Finch	
5-72—Five-team Finch to south end of Riley's Lane	
6-72—Carroll's Inn (Bungendore), to Bungendore Reserve	10 o'clock a.m., on Tuesday, 16th January.
Supply of Metal Great Southern Road 3rd District, 1st Division.	
Contract 1-72—Fish River to 40th mile-post	
2-72—40th mile-post to O'Brien's Bridge	
3-72—O'Brien's Bridge to Reedy Creek.	
Great Western Road, 3rd District.	
Contract 1-72—Rydal Railway Station to Sparrow	
2-72—Brown's Hill to Raglan	
3-72—Raglan to Saltwater Creek	
4-72—Saltwater Creek to Bathurst	
Additions to the Court and Watch House, Glen Innes	
Construction of an Iron Steam Dredge for Newcastle	
Erection of a Court and Watch-house, Obrien.	
Great Western Road, 4th District.	
Contract 1-72—Bathurst to Mary's Range	
2-72—Rocks to Parker's	
3-72—Parker's to Milne's Farm	
4-72—Milne's Farm to Oates's	
5-72—Oates's to Carroll's	
6-72—Carroll's to Orange.	
Great Northern Road, 1st District.	
Contract 1-72—Murrurundi to Willow Tree Tollbar	11 o'clock a.m., on Tuesday, 23rd January.
2-72—Willow Tree Tollbar to Mall Station	
3-72—Mall Station to Kangaroo Flat Tollbar	
4-72—Kangaroo Flat Tollbar to end of Contract 1-68	
5-72—Contract 1-68 to the Wire Fence.	

JAMES BYRNES.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE SYDNEY SAILORS' HOME during the year 1871:—

Adam, J. S.	£0	10	0	Lorimer, Marwood, and Rome	£2	2	0
Alderson and Sons	1	1	0				
Alexander, M.	1	1	0				
Alger, J., 1870-71	2	2	0	Mackenzie, W. H., jun.	1	1	0
Allan, Street, and Norton	3	3	0	Manning, Sir W.	2	2	0
Allen, G. Wigram	1	1	0	M'Arthur, A. & C.	2	2	0
Armstrong, A. B. and Co.	1	0	0	M'Carthy, W. G.	1	1	0
				Metcalfe, M.	1	1	0
				Montefiore, Joseph, and Co.	3	3	0
Balbirnie, A.	0	10	0	Moore, A. and Co.	1	1	0
Baptist, J., 1870-71	2	2	0	Moore, C. and Co.	1	1	0
Barker, W.	1	1	0	Morehead, R. A. A.	1	1	0
Belfry and Scott	2	2	0	Mullens, Josiah	2	2	0
Belt, H.	1	1	0				
Bell, H.	1	1	0				
Belmore, Earl	5	0	0	Newton, C., Brother, and Co.	2	2	0
Berry, A.	1	1	0	Norton, James	1	1	0
Bird, H. S., 1870, 1871	2	2	0				
				Parbury, Brothers	2	2	0
Bradley, Newton, and Lamb	1	1	0	Pemell, J., and Co.	1	1	0
Brellat, T. C.	1	1	0	Penfold, E. T.	1	1	0
Brown and Co.	3	3	0	Prince, Ogg, and Co.	2	2	0
Buchanan, B.	2	2	0				
Burrows and Barnard	1	1	0	Rabone, Feez, and Co.	1	1	0
Butler, E., 1870, 1871	2	2	0	Raymond, Mrs. J. C., 1870, 1871	1	0	0
				Roberts, Mrs. M.	2	2	0
				Rose, J. Grafton	1	1	0
Caird, Paterson, and Co., 1870, 1871	2	2	0	Roxburgh, J.P.			
Callaghan and Son	1	1	0	1870, 1871	2	2	0
Cameron, E. W., 1870, 1871	4	4	0	Russell, P. N. and Co.	1	1	0
Campbell, Alex. for 1870	2	2	0	Saddington and Sons	2	2	0
Cape, F. W.	1	1	0	Samuel, Saul, 1870, 1871	2	2	0
Cohen, D. and Co.	1	1	0	Scott, Henderson, and Co.	2	2	0
Colonial Sugar Co.	5	0	0	Smith, Brothers, and Co.	1	1	0
Cowan and Co.	1	1	0	Smith, Charles	2	2	0
				Smyth, S. H.	1	1	0
Dangar, F. H.	2	2	0	Speer, W., 1870, 1871	2	2	0
Daniell, King, and Co.	2	2	0	Stephen, M. H., 1870, 1871	2	2	0
Dibbs, T. A.	1	0	0	Stephen and Stephen	1	1	0
Elliott, P. J. and Co.	1	0	0	Stephen, Mr.	1	1	0
Fanning, Griffiths, and Co.	2	2	0	Stewart, Garrick, and Co.	2	2	0
Ford, R. T.	1	1	0	Stuart, Alexander, 1870, 1871	2	2	0
Fox, H. T.	1	1	0	Stubbs, R. F. and Co.	2	2	0
Fraser, John	2	2	0	Taylor and Wearing	1	0	0
Fraser, J. and Co.	2	2	0	Thompson, Joseph	1	1	0
Gilchrist, W. O.	2	2	0	Towns, R.	2	2	0
Gilchrist, Watt, and Co.	3	3	0	Tucker and Co.	2	2	0
Goodlet, J. H.	1	1	0	Vennard, M. A., 1870, 1871	1	0	0
Greenhill, S. 1870, 1871	2	2	0	Vickery, E.	2	0	0
Harrison, J. S.	1	0	0	Ward, J., and Co.	1	1	0
Hochung, S., and Co.	1	1	0	Webster, A. S.	1	0	0
Holdsworth, J. B.	1	1	0	Willis, Lloyd, and Co.	2	2	0
Holdsworth, Rich.	1	1	0	Wingate, Mrs.			
Humphrey, F. T.	1	1	0	Major	0	10	0
				Woolley, Mrs. Thomas	0	10	0
Isidley, Ireland, and Co.	2	2	0	Woolnough, H., and Co.	1	1	0
Larmer, W., 1870, 1871	0	10	0				
Lassetter, F.	1	1	0	Young, J., South Creek	1	0	0
Learmonth, Dickinson and Co.	2	2	0	Young and Lark	2	2	0
London, Chartered Bank	5	0	0				

A. BALBIRNIE, Collector, 11, Stanley-street.
BENJAMIN BUCHANAN, Hon. Treasurer.

NOTICE

I, KATE O'DONNELL, hereby give Notice, to whom it may concern, but particularly to my husband JOHN O'DONNELL, native of "Templemore," Ireland, that I intend marrying again, should I not hear from him in one month from this date.

KATE O'DONNELL.

Hill-End, December 27, 1871.

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament during the present session thereof, for leave to introduce a BILL to incorporate the SYDNEY OMNIBUS COMPANY (Limited), to enable the said company to ply vehicles for hire, and for other purposes in the said bill mentioned.

Dated this twelfth day of December, A.D., 1871.

DRIVER and MERRIMAN, Solicitors for the Sydney Omnibus Company, (Limited) 176, Pitt-street, Sydney.

MR. READING, Dentist, removed to 117, Castlereagh-street, lately occupied by Dr. Robertson.

PUBLIC COMPANIES.

UNIVERSAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.—Limited. 35, Cornhill, London. Insurances accepted on behalf of this Company by W. H. MACKENZIE, jun., 96, Pitt-street.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

On DWELLINGS and COUNTING-HOUSES.

Rates reduced to a minimum of 2s 3d on Sydney, and 3s 9d on suburban risks.

FANNING, GRIFFITHS, and CO., Agents, Spring-street.

THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.—The constituents of this company are informed that ALMANACS for the year 1872 are now ready for distribution, and may be had on application to the office.

THE UNITED INSURANCE COMPANY (Fire and Marine).

Capital, £600,000. Unlimited Liability.
Head Office—275, George-street.

DIRECTORS:
Richard Hill, Esq., M.L.A., Chairman.
The Hon. E. C. Weekes, J. B. Rundle, Esq., M.L.C. G. R. Dibbs, Esq.
M. Alexander, Esq., M.L.A. J. R. Cattell, Esq.

FIRE POLICIES issued on BUILDINGS not used for purposes of trade, and their contents, at VERY REDUCED RATES.

WILLIAM RAE, Manager.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

INVESTED FUNDS..... £4,284,000.
ANNUAL REVENUE over..... £700,000.
SYDNEY BRANCH, 275, GEORGE-STREET.

Directors:
Richard Jones, Esq., Chairman.
J. de V. Lamb, Esq. Henry Prince, Esq.
Edward Flood, Esq., M.L.A.
Medical Referee, J. C. Cox., M.D.

Prospectuses and forms of proposals can be obtained on application at the Offices, or any of the Agencies.

WILLIAM RAE, Secretary.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY,
FOR MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE WITHOUT MUTUAL LIABILITY.
All the Profits belong to the Insurers.

Capital:
£50,000 in shares of £1 each, upon which 2s 6d a share will be paid up.

Provisional Directors:
Hon. John Sutherland, M.L.A., Chairman.
M. F. Josephson, Esq. | William J. Day, Esq.
John Wetherill, Esq. | William Heslet, Esq.
James Murphy, Esq. | Randolph Nott, Esq.
William Jarret, Esq.

Bankers:
The Bank of New South Wales.

Solicitors:
Messrs. Allen, Bowden, and Allen.

Interim Secretary:
James Henderson.

Temporary Offices—235, Pitt-street, Sydney.

Application for shares to be made to the provisional directors in the form annexed, accompanied by two shillings and sixpence per share, to the secretary, at the temporary offices, 235, Pitt-street, Sydney.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.
To the Provisional Directors of the
Australian Mutual Fire Insurance Society.

I have to request that you allot me shares in the above society; for which I hand you herewith £ , being at rate of two shillings and sixpence per share; and I hereby agree to accept the same, or any smaller number that may allotted to me, and to sign the deed of settlement when requested to do so.

Name in full
Address
Occupation
Date

Full prospectus in HERALD of Saturday last.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE CO., Limited. (LORIMER, MARWOOD, and ROME, Agents).—Risks accepted at lowest current rates.
FRANK B. TREATT, Manager.

GOLDEN GULLY QUARTZ MINING COMPANY.

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS.
Thomas Cowlishaw, Esq.
John R. Cattell, Esq.
John Barlow, Esq.

It is proposed to form a company for the purpose of working a three-acre lease situated on the northern end of Golden Gully, Red Hill.

This lease comprises some claims that were worked several years since by small parties of men, who obtained very satisfactory results, until at a depth of 350 feet they found themselves unable to cope with the water, and with the hardness of the rock. Reports are appended from Mr. Bell and Mr. Rawsthorne, which describe the previous workings and the character of the reef. Only a small portion of the reef has been extracted; and it is believed that, with proper appliances for deep sinking, a very large amount of rich quartz may be taken out of this claim, with profitable results to all concerned.

It is proposed that the Company now to be formed for the working of this Lease shall consist of four hundred £10 shares, equal to a total nominal capital of £4000. Two hundred of these shares, fully paid up, will be allotted to the present holders of the Lease in purchase of their title. The other two hundred shares are now offered to the public. A deposit of one pound will be payable on application, one pound more on allotment, and the balance will be called up as it may be required to meet the current expenditure, in sums not exceeding one pound, and at intervals of not less than one month.

The Company will be registered under the Limited Liability Act.

The Directors named above will only act provisionally, and so soon as the Company is formed the shareholders will be called together to elect officers and to determine the conditions of the Deed of Settlement.

Applications made according to the accompanying form will be received at the office of Mr. GEORGE A. RUSSELL, No. 362, George-street, where a plan of the ground may be seen, and further information obtained.

"Hill End, 28th October, 1871.

"Sir,—I received yours some time since. In reference to your inquiries concerning your lease, I worked the ground for about six years, which paid me very well. The description of the gold was from the very finest to lumps from one pennyweight to four pounds weight. My old workings are about 350 feet deep. I had good gold, between £7000 and £8000, till the last 50 feet, when the rock became very hard, and it was too much expense on two men to get satisfaction.

"It will cost about one thousand pounds to sink a shaft about three hundred and fifty feet perpendicular, which I think would be deep enough to get a change in the vein. I think this place I am describing, and which is in your lease, is more worthy of a good trial than anything I know even on Hawkins Hill, except the best claims. I know there are two other veins to the east also in your claim that will be cut by a cross drive, and which are proved by Johnson's former claim, also in your lease, to be very valuable. So hoping your company will have every success,

"I remain yours truly, "MOSES BELL."

"I have much pleasure in concurring in the above statements, knowing them to be correct, having worked in the ground you now lease for a period of three years and over.

"J. KING WEIR, of Weir's Hotel, Hill End."

"Hill End, October 28, 1871.

"Dear Sir,—I have great pleasure, in compliance with your wishes, in giving you my opinion of the reef called Johnson's Reef, running through your lease on the north end of Golden Gully, or Johnson's Hill, Tambaroora.

"I worked for more than three years on a piece of ground adjoining the claim known as Mo. Bell's Claim, and though my claim did not on the whole prove very remunerative, I have great pleasure in bearing testimony to the payableness of the ground for a considerable distance immediately north of the claim I worked, down to a depth of more than three hundred feet, when it was abandoned; not because the gold had run out, but simply because they had not sufficient means of keeping themselves clear of water.

"I know there is good gold in the bottom, and am of opinion that your lease, with efficient management, will prove a very valuable property.

"I may state that the Claim I worked, as well as Bell's Claim, are included in your lease. I don't know the exact value of gold taken out of Mo. Bell's Claim, but it paid exceedingly well, and I think the amount would exceed seven thousand pounds (£7000).

"I am, dear Sir, yours truly,
"ROBERT J. RAWSTHORNE."

PACIFIC FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SYDNEY.
Capital, £1,000,000.

DIRECTORS:
G. Wigram Allen, Esq., Chairman.
H. E. A. Allan, Esq. | Henry Prince, Esq.
S. A. Joseph, Esq. | Robert Saddington, Esq.
London Branch—C. M. Smith, Esq., Manager.

Risks taken at lowest current rates.

Marine policies made payable in London, or any of the Company's agencies when required. A table of rates may be obtained at the Company's Office, 91, Pitt-street.

E. L. MONTEFIORE, Manager.

REDUCED FIRE RATES ON BUILDINGS.—NORWICH UNION FIRE and LIFE OFFICES.—Established 1808 and 1821.—United capital, £2,850,000. Claims promptly settled in Sydney at the OFFICES, 181, CASTLEREAGH-STREET.

AUSTRALIAN GENERAL ASSURANCE COMPANY,
Office, 129, Pitt-street, Sydney.
MARINE INSURANCES

Effected at lowest current rates of premium, particulars of which can be obtained at the office.

Policies to Great Britain granted in triplicate, and made payable in London, if required.

HENRY T. FOX, Manager.

AUSTRALASIAN INSURANCE COMPANY
FIRE, LIFE, AND MARINE.
Head Office—Collins-street, Melbourne.

The undersigned are prepared to issue Policies on every description of insurable interest, on lowest current terms. Marine losses made payable in India, China, London, or any of the Company's Colonial Agencies.

MONTEFIORE and MONTEFIORE,
Gresham-street, next Exchange.

LONDON AND LANCASHIRE FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE CO. W. H. MACKENZIE, Junr., Agent.

PROSPECTUS
of the
GULGONG GOLD MINING AND QUARTZ CRUSHING COMPANY (LIMITED.)

ROYAL GEORGE REEF LEASE,
GULGONG.

To be Registered under the Limited Liability Act, 24th Vic., No. 21, whereby the liability of shareholders is limited to the amount of their shares.

Nominal Capital, £18,000, in 18,000 shares of £1 each, of which 9000 are reserved for the original promoters, and 8000 are offered to the public.

2s 6d per share to be paid on application, 5s per share on allotment, and 2s 6d per share one month after allotment, and the balance in calls not exceeding 1s per share per month.

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS:
William Sippel, Esq., Sydney and Gulgong.
S. Belinfante, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, Gulgong.
P. O'Neil, Esq., Gulgong.
Henry Sippel, Esq., Sydney.
John Meers, Esq., Burrundulla, Mudgee.
William Bradbury, Esq., Gulgong.
William Meers, Esq., Gulgong.

Bankers:
Oriental Bank, Sydney and Gulgong.

The Company possesses seventeen and a-half (17½) acres of ground on lease, situated on the Royal George Reef, near Green Swamp, about nine miles from Gulgong, and they offer part of their interest to the public, for the purpose of obtaining sufficient capital to fully develope the rich auriferous quartz reefs in the ground, and to purchase first-class quartz-crushing machinery.

A large amount of work has been done, in prospecting the reefs in the ground. There are five distinct reefs running through the lease, and the ground is full of rich auriferous quartz veins. Trial crushings have been made of quartz taken from the surface, and at various levels of the reefs to a depth of sixty (60) feet, giving most satisfactory returns, which proves beyond doubt that the reefs in this ground are highly auriferous and increase in richness from the surface downwards, and when opened to a greater depth by putting down main shafts, and fully developed by the application of more capital, will prove one of the best payable mines in the colony.

TRIAL CRUSHINGS.

4¼ tons of quartz, from the surface of the reef, crushed at Chappell's machine, 9 dwts. per ton.

14 tons quartz, from the surface of adjoining reef, crushed ditto, 14 dwts. per ton.

10½ tons quartz, from 20 foot level, reef 2 feet wide, crushed ditto, 19 dwts. per ton.

4¼ tons quartz, from 35 foot level, crushed ditto, 1 oz. 5 dwts. per ton.

1 ton of quartz, from 50 foot level, crushed at the Mint in Sydney, yielded, as per Mint certificate, 2 oz. 10 dwts. per ton.

MINT CERTIFICATE.

"Royal Mint, Sydney, 10th May, 1871.

"Gentlemen,—The quartz, weighing 19 cwt. 0 qrs. 6 lbs., sent by you to be crushed and otherwise treated, yielded two ounces and three hundred and seventy-six thousandths of an ounce of standard gold, being at the rate of two ounces and four hundred and ninety-four thousandths of an ounce of standard gold per ton. The gold is enclosed.

"I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,
"C. ELOUIS.

"Messrs. Atkinson and Dean, Mudgee."

The original shareholders then tested the reefs in six distinct points, and crushed the quartz with a small machine of their own construction, giving the following highly satisfactory returns:—4½ tons quartz, surface stone, reef 2 feet 6 inches wide, 9 dwts. per ton; 2½ tons quartz, from 10 foot level, 13 dwts. per ton; 1 ton quartz, from 15 foot level, 1 oz. 5 dwts. per ton; 1½ tons quartz, from 20 foot level, 3 oz. 6 dwts. per ton; 2 tons 3 cwt. quartz, from 30 foot level, leader going down 4 oz. 8 dwts. per ton; 2 tons quartz, surface stone, from a reef 2 feet 4 inches wide, and which runs through the ground on the crown of the hill, 10 dwts. per ton. This machine being imperfect, fully 25 per cent. may safely be added to these returns had the stone been crushed by a good machine.

From several points of the ground tunnels can be put in, which would cut several of the auriferous veins at a very low depth from the surface, which is highly favourable to the future and permanent working of the mine. There is abundance of excellent timber for mining purposes to be obtained on the ground.

The original shareholders do not intend to dispose of any of their reserved interest in this valuable mining property, as splendid returns are expected. They are now raising rich quartz to wait crushing by the machinery which the Company purpose to erect, and they are confident of being able to pay a dividend out of the returns of the first crushing. They have a fine site for the erection of quartz-crushing machinery on the banks of the Mudgee River, having a frontage to permanent water, about one mile distant from their lease, and in addition to their own quartz, there will be a large amount of quartz to crush from the reefs in the district.

The Provisional Directors being desirous of giving an opportunity to local enterprise have reserved a number of shares for sale in Gulgong and the surrounding district, for which early application is necessary by persons desirous of having an interest in this genuine and valuable mining property. One of the best and safest investments ever placed before the public, and giving prospects of results that will not be surpassed by anything in the district. Subscribing shareholders are invited to inspect this bona fide auriferous mining property.

Application for shares to be made to the agents, Mr. WILLIAM SIPPEL and Mr. G. F. S. ROBERTS, temporary office at Messrs. Sippel, Brothers, Queen-street, Gulgong; and to Messrs. CHATFIELD and SON, 39, Pitt-street, Sydney; and to Mr. HENRY SIPPEL (Messrs. Sippel, Brothers), 535, George-street, Sydney, from whom prospectuses, forms of application, and every information can be obtained, and the gold-bearing quartz from the reefs seen.

FORM OF APPLICATION.
To the Provisional Directors of the Gulgong Gold Mining and Quartz Crushing Company (Limited.)

I have to request that you will allot me shares in the above company, and I hereby agree to accept the same or any less number that may be allotted to me, and to sign the deed of settlement and the rules and regulations of the company when called upon to do so. And I herewith hand you a cheque for £ , being the deposit of 2s 6d per share.

Name in full
Occupation
Address
Dated this day of 187

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—Capital, £1,945,000. Income, £320,000. Reserve fund, £240,000.

Established in 1803. Losses paid since the foundation of the Society, £3,132,000.

Insurances effected on buildings, merchandise, and ships. Losses from fire by lightning made good, and all claims on adjustment paid in Sydney.

FANNING, GRIFFITHS, and CO., Agents, Spring-street, Sydney.

SAINT JOSEPH INVESTMENT AND BUILDING SOCIETY.

Office, 99, Elizabeth-street.

Parties desirous to invest can do so at the monthly meeting, or at any time during office hours. Invested shares of £10 each can be paid up at once, or at the rate of 10s per share per month. A fair rate of interest will be payable at the close of each financial year.

BORROWERS can have immediate advances without being obliged to be holders of invested shares.

No premiums are charged on loans.

Loans are repayable in 3, 5, 7, or 10 years, according to the following table for each £100 borrowed:—

In Years.	Amount Per calendar month.	Per week.
3	£3 6 0	£0 15 3
5	2 3 9	0 10 2
7	1 14 3	0 7 11
10	1 7 0	0 6 3

Borrowers can pay off at any time the whole or portion of the amount borrowed, and have their deeds.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Shareholders are reminded that the monthly subscription meeting will be held in the Guild Rooms, 117, Liverpool-street, between Pitt and George streets, THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, January 3, 1872, between the hours of 7 and 8.30 o'clock.

For the convenience of working men, domestic servants, &c., deposits can be made at the Society's Office, where rules and every information relative to borrowing or investing can be obtained from 12 till 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week.

ROBERT BUTCHER, Secretary.

ROSELLA COPPER MINE.—Prospectuses and full particulars can be obtained from the Secretary.
RICHARD PREEK, Junior,
Greville's Exchange, Sydney.

INDUSTRIAL AND PROVIDENT PERMANENT BUILDING AND INVESTMENT SOCIETY.

Trustees:—Stephen Campbell Brown, M.L.A.; George Renwick, Esq., J.P.; and John Roseby, Esq., J.P.

Interest as under is allowed by this Society on deposits, viz.:—

Payable in 12 months, 8 per cent. per annum
Ditto, 6 months, 7 per cent. ditto
Ditto 3 months, 6 per cent. ditto.

By order of the Board,
WILLIAM JARRETT, Manager.

Offices—Park-street, one door from George-street.

PROSPECTUS
of the
MONITOR GOLD MINING COMPANY,
VERE'S NEW LEASE, HAWKINS HILL.

To be registered under the Limited Liability Act, whereby the liability of the shareholders is limited to the amount of their shares.

NOMINAL CAPITAL, £9000, in 9000 SHARES of 20s EACH.

7000 shares and £3500 cash are reserved by the present proprietory. The balance, 6000 shares, to be issued at 1s per share on application, and 4s on allotment. The balance, if required, in calls not exceeding 2s per share per month.

Provisional Directors.

Daniel Bullman, Esq., Sydney. | J. M'Connell, Esq., Sydney.
J. J. Curren, Esq., Sydney. | Robt. Prendergast, Esq., Sydney.
John Gard, Esq., Hill End.

Bankers.
Australian Joint Stock Bank, Hill End and Sydney.

This Company is formed to work a lease of four acres, known as Vere's Lease, Hawkins Hill, bounded on the north by Crabb and Co.'s One Acre Lease, and on the south by George and party of four men's ground, north of Vickery's Lease.

It may be confidently assumed that this area of ground embraces within its boundaries some of the most auriferous veins that run through Hawkin's Hill. Amongst others may be mentioned Rowley's vein, the richest ever opened in the district, and which, when worked some twelve years ago in the absence of machinery, realized enormous returns to the shareholders. Rowley's vein, at a depth of 120 feet, took a horizontal course, and it being a feature peculiar to this district that in such cases the vein, in addition to being more difficult to work, decreases both in size and richness until it resumes its natural dip. It is now proposed to sink a main working shaft, 200 feet in depth, which, after careful calculation, it is estimated will cut the true dip of the lode eighty feet lower than the original workings.

It is thought that no further calls on the capital of the Company will be required until the vein is reached.

Applications for shares, enclosing the required deposit, will be received by any of the Provisional Directors; or by Mr. W. S. GRIFFITHS,
2, Phillip-street, Circular Quay; and
C. BATE and CO., Brokers,
165, Pitt-street, Sydney.

Prospectuses and every information may be obtained from the Brokers, where plans may be seen.

FORM OF APPLICATION.
To the Monitor Gold-Mining Company (Limited).

I have to request that you will allot me shares in the above Company, and I hereby agree to accept the same or any less number, that may be allotted to me, and to sign the deed of settlement and the rules and regulations of the Company, when called upon to do so; and I hereby hand you a cheque for £ , being the deposit of 1s per share.

Name in full
Occupation
Address
Dated this day of 187

STOCK, SHARES AND MONEY.

MONEY.

NATIONAL LOAN AND DISCOUNT COMPANY.
Capital, £60,000.
Offices—51, Hunter-street, corner of Elizabeth-street.

This Company is formed with a view of assisting Professional Men, Government Officials, Tradesmen, and others who may be temporarily in want of a Money Loan, without their having to resort to extreme measures. This Company will make such advances on the following easy and equitable terms:—

Sums from £5 to £5000 can be obtained on personal and other securities, repayable by weekly instalments of ONE SHILLING in the pound, or arrangements can be made for monthly or quarterly payments. Persons borrowing £5 receive £4 10s, to be repaid by twenty weekly instalments.

BILLS DISCOUNTED DAILY. Advances made on deposit of deeds of freehold and leasehold property; bill of sale, merchandise, certificates, reversionary interests, or any other tangible security.

All money transactions entertained, and advances guaranteed within twenty-four hours after application, if securities approved of.

Forms and other information can be had a the Company's Offices.

Office hours from 9 to 5; Saturdays, 9 to 1.

MERCANTILE LOAN AND DISCOUNT COMPANY.

58, Elizabeth-street (between King and Hunter streets).
Office hours, 9 to 5; Saturdays, 9 to 1.

The Proprietors of this Company are prepared to offer advantages to parties in want of accommodation on the most liberal terms.

Sums of £5 to £10,000 advanced on deposit of DEEDS, either FREEHOLD or LEASEHOLD; BILLS OF LADING, BILL OF SALE, without possession or on any tangible security. REPAYABLE either WEEKLY, MONTHLY, or QUARTERLY.

BILLS NEGOTIATED and DISCOUNTED DAILY, with or without collateral security, at the lowest possible rates.

LOANS executed after a few hours' notice.

NOTICE.—This Company does NOT charge enquiry fee.

SALES and PURCHASES of Debentures and Shares effected by CHATFIELD and SON, 39, Pitt-street.

MONEY. MONEY. MONEY.
LONDON LOAN and DISCOUNT SOCIETY,
125, Elizabeth-street South.

THIS SOCIETY is established to assist tradesmen and others, on the following terms:—MONEY ADVANCED in sums varying from £5 to £1000 on security of two responsible householders, TO BE REPAID BY WEEKLY INSTALMENTS OF 1s. in the pound. PERSONS desirous of obtaining £5 receive £4 10d. cash. THE ADVANCE GUARANTEED WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS IF THE SECURITIES ARE APPROVED OF.

ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR MONTHLY OR QUARTERLY PAYMENTS.

BILLS OF SALE ON FURNITURE, &c., WITHOUT POSSESSION OR ANY OTHER AVAILABLE SECURITY.

Forms may be had gratis on application.

FROM £10 to £5000 ON DEPOSIT OF DEEDS FROM 6 PER CENT. PER ANNUM.

BILLS DISCOUNTED DAILY AT CURRENT RATES.

MORTGAGES on Freehold or Leasehold properties in sums of from £50 to £5000 effected by the PERMANENT MUTUAL BENEFIT BUILDING and INVESTMENT SOCIETY, repayable, principal and interest, by monthly instalments extending over 4, 6, 8, 10, or 12 years.

Monthly instalments to repay £100 with interest:—

In years.	Amount.	In years.	Amount.
4 ..	.. £2 7 4	10	.. £1 5 0
6 ..	.. 1 14 8	12	.. 1 2 8
8 ..	.. 1 8 8		

Upwards of £70,000 has been advanced in little more than two years.

Borrowers share equally with Investors in the profits of this most successful institution.

Chairman—G. WIGRAM ALLEN, Esq., M.L.A.
Directors—Professor Pell, J. Sutherland, Esq., M.L.A., John Lucas, Esq., M.L.A., M. Chapman, Esq., and W. T. Pinhey, Esq.
HEAD OFFICE, 306, GEORGE-STREET.
RANDOLPH NOTT, Secretary.

CITY BANK, Bank New Zealand | PEAK DOWNS, United Insurance
SHARES for SALE.
W. T. MUSTON and CO., 173, Pitt-street.

MORTGAGE.—The undersigned has any sum, from £500 to £1000 and upwards, to LEND upon City or Suburban Property, at from six to eight per cent.

EDWIN JACOBS.
98, Elizabeth-street.

MONEY.—£5 to £20 to lend, without security; £20 to £3000, from 6 per cent. Office, 107, Elizabeth-st. N.

FOR SALE, by HENRY I. WEST and CO., 143, Pitt-street, City Bank, Bank of New Zealand, Sydney Insurance, and Gulgong—Golden Hill Quartz Crushing Co.'s shares.

£4000 NEW SOUTH WALES Government DEBENTURES, 5 per cent. interest, payable half-yearly, in Sydney or London, for SALE.

WANTED, Queensland Government Debentures, Treasury Bills, New Zealand Government Treasury Bills, City of Sydney Debentures, local companies' debentures.
LENNON and CAPE, 126, Pitt-street.

GREEN Valley Quartz Company.—Wanted, 20 Shares. A reasonable premium given. W. J. K., HERALD.

PEAK DOWNS, Joint Stock Bank, Bank N. Z., Clarence and Richmond and Hunter Steam SHARES for SALE. Also, Gold Shares, Drake, Boorook, Solferino, Tambaroora, and Gulgong. C. BATE, 165, Pitt-street.

FOR SALE, Tambaroora and Gulgong Mining SHARES
1 12th-Share in the Glencoe Co.
1 36th-Share in the Great Northern Extension
1 Share Union Jack; and other Shares.
CHATFIELD and SON, 39, Pitt-street.

TENDERS.

HONEST LAWYER GOLD MINING COMPANY, Limited.—TENDERS will be received, till 15th January, 1872, for Sinking fifty feet in the present shaft of the above Company, at Hill End, as per specification, to be seen at the Company's Office, 239, George-street, Sydney, and on application to the local Manager, THOMAS LOWERY, at Hill End.

CLARENCE AND RICHMOND RIVER STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TO PROVIDORES AND OTHERS.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned until WEDNESDAY, 17th January next, at 10 a.m., for providoring this Company's Vessels, from 1st February next.

Full particulars on application. Tenders to be endorsed, "Tenders for providoring C. and R. R. S. N. Company's Vessels."

The Company not bound to accept lowest or any tender.
W. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TENDERS will be received at this Office up to 10th instant from persons willing to contract, for one year, for all the CARTAGE the Company has to perform. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
FREDK. H. TROUTON, Manager.
A. S. N. Co.'s Offices, Sussex-street.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

MUSICAL.

A new Stock of PIANOS at
ELVY and CO.'S PIANOFORTE GALLERY.

ELEGANT WALNUT PIANOS
40 GUINEAS
£32
£29
At ELVY and CO.'S PIANOFORTE GALLERY.

ERARD'S and COLLARDS' PIANOS.
The very best.
At ELVY and CO.'S PIANOFORTE GALLERY.

BORD'S BEAUTIFUL PIANOS.
Low in price.
At ELVY and CO.'S PIANOFORTE GALLERY.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY.—To be SOLD, a bargain, a first-class PIANO, by Challen and Hodgson, of London.
N. FOLDI, 602, Brickfield-hill.

PIANOS.—Just unpacked some VERY ELEGANT and CHOICE PIANOS, in NEW DESIGNS, of UNRIVALLED TONE, at W. H. PALING'S.
PIANOS, by ERARD, AUCHER, COLLARD, BROADWOOD, KIRKMAN, &c., at all prices.
HARMONIUMS, by ALEXANDRE, in all the models.
W. H. PALING, 335, George-street.

PIANOFORTES and HARMONIUMS from the first LONDON and CONTINENTAL Houses, for Sale or Hire, or by monthly instalments, with GREAT ADVANTAGES to purchasers. Military Instruments for large or small BANDS

JAMES PEMELL and CO., George-street South, opposite Railway Station Gates, Sydney. Superfine Flour, best Seconds; Kiln-dried Corn Flour, &c. Best quality; lowest prices.

JOSEPH WEARNE, Anchor Flour Mills, foot of Bathurst-street, Sydney. Silk-dressed Superfine Flour, Seconds Flour, Kiln-dried Corn Meal, &c., the best and cheapest in Sydney.

BRANDON'S CANDLES, prime new Currants Muscatel raisins, in box and quarter boxes M. METCALFE and CO., 9, Bridge-street.

20 CASKS Jamaica GINGER, now landed. W. H. ARNELL, 119, Sussex-street.

TO HEADS OF FAMILIES Hotel-keepers, Clubs, &c.—EXTRACT OF MEAT, for the immediate production of soups, gravies, broths, &c., imparts a delicious flavour which cannot be obtained by the ordinary process of cooking, and is at once palatable and nutritious. Prepared by ROBERTSON, BROTHERS, Baffle Creek, Queensland. Agents, ELLIOTT, BROTHERS, 112, Pitt-street.

ADELAIDE FLOUR—Superfine, Households, and Seconds; Hart's, James Clark's (late Galloway and Clark's), Butterworth's, and Rowett and Hooper's brands. C. WILSON, 64, Margaret-street.

MEDICAL, CHEMICALS, ETC.

MRS WELSH'S SOOTHING POWDERS.—Post free. To be had only at 468, Elizabeth-street S.

HENRY'S COLONIAL OINTMENTS, in lid pots, 1s each, at all Chemists and Storekeepers.

RANDERSON'S Podophylin LOZENGES, for biliousness, indigestion, and costiveness. All Chemists.

QUICKSILVER.—Spanish on SALE by ELLIOTT, BROTHERS, 112, Pitt-street.

OPIUM—Just landed. On SALE by GEO. A. LLOYD and CO., 362, George-street.

DR. J. COLLIS BROWNE'S CHLORODYNE.—Vice-Chancellor Sir W. PAGE WOOD stated publicly in Court that Dr. J. COLLIS BROWNE was undoubtedly the Inventor of Chlorodyne, that the whole story of the defendant Freeman was deliberately untrue, and he regretted to say it had been sworn to.—TIMES, July 13, 1864.

Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne.—The Right Hon. Earl RUSSELL communicated to the College of Physicians and J. T. Davenport that he had received information to the effect that the only remedy of any service in cholera was Chlorodyne.—See LANCET, December 31, 1864.

Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne, "Is proscribed by scores of orthodox practitioners. Of course, it would not be thus singularly popular did it not 'supply a want and fill a place.'"—MEDICAL TIMES, January 12, 1866.

Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne is the best and most certain remedy in coughs, colds, asthma, consumption, neuralgia, rheumatism, &c.

Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne is a certain cure in cholera, dysentery, diarrhœa, colics, &c.

Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne.—Caution.—None genuine without the words "Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne" on the Government stamp. Overwhelming medical testimony accompanies each bottle. Sole manufacturer, J. T. Davenport, 33, Great Russell-street, Bloomsbury, London. The immense demand enables the proprietors to reduce the price; it is now sold in bottles, 1s 1½d, 2s 9d, 4s 6d, and 11s, containing double quantity hitherto.

Agents: Sydney, ELLIOTT, BROTHERS.
Agents: Melbourne FELTON, GRIMWADE, and CO

BUSINESSES FOR SALE.

A GOOD Grocery BUSINESS for SALE, with House and Land. H. GARRETT, 309, George-street.

PUBLICAN'S LICENSE for SALE. Address J. WHELAN, 230, Castlereagh-st., nr. Market-street.

BUSINESS for SALE, first-class Hairdresser and Tobacconist, established 9 years. Vaughan, King-st.

BUILDING MATERIALS, ETC.

ROYAL BLUE HOUSE.—Oil, Colour, Glass, and Paperhanging Warehouse. W. RENNY, 170, Pitt-st.

ROYAL BLUE HOUSE.—Now landing, ex Wemyss Castle, Border Chief, and Strathnaver, a choice collection of PAPERHANGINGS—over 100 bales and cases in original packages, as well as an immense open stock to choose from, varying from 3½d to 7s 6d per roll. 170, Pitt-street.

ROYAL BLUE HOUSE.—Storekeepers and the Trade are respectfully invited to inspect these new shipments. Patterns of paperhangings in original packages, or in open stock, and prices current of every article in the trade sent upon application to WALTER RENNY, 170, Pitt-street.

900,000 FEET Baltic and Maryborough Flooring, Baltic Deals, Cedar, Colonial Hardwood, Shingles, Doors, Sashes, &c. MILLER and HARRISON, Albion Wharf and Barker's Wharf.

SLATES, SLATES.—Best Bangor, 24 x 12 to 16 x 8, for Sale, cheap. Miller and Harrison, Albion Wharf.

COLONIAL HARDWOOD, at considerably reduced rates. H. MOON, Auction Rooms, 336, George-street.

90,000 SLATES all sizes, reduced prices. G. E. CRANE, New Pitt-street.

950 CASKS Knight, Bevan's, and other brands Portland CEMENT. CRANE, New Pitt-st.

HOUSES AND LAND FOR SALE.

FOR SALE, Freehold, a nice little FARM and HOMESTEAD, four miles from Sydney; there is abundance of pure water in the driest of seasons; 'buses run within sight—a splendid view. There are two cows in full milk, 150 fowls, horse and cart, can be taken if required. Further particulars at 104, Gloucester-st., Sydney.

BUILDING ALLOTMENTS, Freehold, Surry Hills and Moore Park.—For SALE, several fine eligible Sites, in the above localities, cheap. H. E. SHORTER, Conveyancer, 128½, Elizabeth-street.

FOR SALE, 2-roomed Cottage, 3 allotments of Ground, in John-st., Surry Hills. A. Woolcott, Petersham.

FOR SALE, stylish well-bred COB, fast, good jumper; quiet, sound. DOLBY'S, Haymarket.

FOR SALE, brick COTTAGE, freehold, 4 rooms, Northern-st., S. H.; £120—a bargain. 453, Crown-st., S. H.

FOR SALE, an Allotment of LAND, in Bourke-street, 20 feet frontage; a bargain; 2 years' credit. Apply RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

A LARGE FARM and ORCHARD at Lane Cove, 9 miles from Sydney, on the main road, on very easy terms—a very nice place. Apply Bonnett's, Dining Rooms, King street.

FOR SALE, in Derwent-street, Glebe, one or two COTTAGES. Mr. Sweet, ironmonger, Brickfield-hill.

HORSES AND VEHICLES.

HORSE.—For SALE, heavy draught horse; price, £16; trial. 30, Druitt-street.

BUGGIES and HARNESS.—Capital 4-seated Buggy and Harness, only £20; single-seat ditto and Harness, £18; first-class Hooded Sociable and Harness, £30, cost £62; American Express Waggon and Harness, £24; 4-wheeled Dogcart, £16; Horse, Spring-cart, and Harness, £20; Light Tray Waggon, carries 6 cwt. and 2 persons, £20; Handsome Hooded American Carriage, carries 6, with pole, shafts, and lamps, £35. GIBSON.

AMERICAN-BUILT Hooded Buggy and Harness, £25; new Waggonet, £28. S. Knight, Castlereagh-st.

LIGHT EXPRESS Waggon, Horse, and Harness, £35; Horse, new Spring-cart and Harness, £18. S. Knight.

FIRST-CLASS new Double-seat Buggy, Horse, and Harness, £38; Waggon, carry ton, £25. Knight.

CHESNUT quiet phaeton and buggy HORSE, £15; Bay Buggy Horse, £10; Dogcart, £12. KNIGHT.

HORSES, Carriages, Buggies, and Dogcarts for HIRE (except Sundays). GIBSON'S Repository, 282, Pitt-st.

STOCK AND STATIONS.

FOR SALE, New Milch COW, just calved. Apply 363, between King and Market streets.

TO SQUATTERS.

SULPHATE OF IRON, of very superior quality, at EDWD. ROW and COMPANY'S, 219, Pitt-street, AGENTS for the NORTH SHORE CHEMICAL WORKS. Samples posted if required.

AUCTION SALES.

21 HORSES.—BROKEN IN.

Just arrived from Wagga Wagga.

GIBSON and MOSES are instructed by John Gordon, Esq., Callan Park, to sell by auction, at Camperdown Sale Yards, on THURSDAY next, 4th instant, at 2 o'clock,

21 superior young horses, all broken-in and in top condition, comprising

2 splendid pairs dark chesnuts, by old "Cooramin"
Some first-class buggy and carriage stock
And a few good machineries.

Horses, heavy and light
Vehicles, Harness, and Saddlery.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, as above.

Regular Sales at the Bazaar, daily; and a Camperdown, any afternoon.
Horses and Vehicles on hire.

To 'Bus Proprietors, Dealers, and others.

BRAIDWOOD HORSES.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. Sydney Craddock to sell by auction, at the CAMPERDOWN YARDS, THIS DAY, Wednesday, at 2 o'clock,

20 head of horses, broken to heavy and light harness and saddle, young, and in fine condition.

YOUNG HORSES.

At CAMPERDOWN, THIS DAY.

GEORGE KISS is instructed by Mr. Welch to sell by auction, at the Camperdown Yards, THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,

10 head of very useful horses; they are all broken-in, and are well adapted for saddle, light or heavy harness.

JOHNNY SMOKER.

GEORGE KISS is instructed by James Osborne, Esq., to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

JOHNNY SMOKER, a grey gelding, by Ulysses, out of a Peragrim mare,

☞ He is the winner of Tattersall's Cup, and several other races.

KELPIE.

GEORGE KISS is instructed to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

KELPIE, a grey gelding, 5 years, by Kelpie, from an Arab mare. Winner of the Prince of Wales Stakes at Randwick on New Year's Day.

TEMPEST.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

TEMPEST, a handsome bay filly, 3 years old, by Millioniare, dam Mountain Maid; broken to saddle.

Fashionable Turn-out.

GEORGE KISS is instructed by Dr. Belisario to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, on FRIDAY next, at 12 o'clock,

A handsome pair of grey horses, with a well-built waggonette and harness.

Particular attention is directed to this sale. The horses are perfect in single and double harness; the waggonette and harness are really excellent, and the lot is being disposed of solely on account of the owner's departure for Europe.

MR. S. WOOLLER will sell by auction, at Dawson's Sale Yards, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock sharp,

25 horses, suitable for heavy or light harness.

N.B.—No charge for entering horses, &c., for sale. Money paid immediately after sale.

G. M. PITT has received instructions from E. Vickery, Esq., to sell by auction, on THURSDAY next, the 4th instant, at his Homebush Yards, at half-past 9 o'clock,

200 prime fat cattle, in lots, represented the best that have left Mungyer for two years.

G. M. PITT has received instructions from Charles Evans, Esq., to sell by auction, on THURSDAY next, the 4th instant, at his Homebush Yards, at half-past 9 o'clock,

1500 prime fat sheep, in lots.

G. M. PITT has received instructions from James Dodds, Esq., to sell by auction, on THURSDAY next, the 4th instant, at his Homebush Yards, at half-past 9 o'clock,

1500 prime fat wethers, in lots.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN have been instructed by Messrs. Christian and Co. to sell by auction, at Ellis and Co.'s Yards, THIS DAY, Wednesday, 3rd January, at 12 o'clock,

150 prime fat wethers, ex Collaroy.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN have been instructed by Messrs. Tange, Austin, and Co. to sell by auction, at the New Central Yards, Homebush, on THURSDAY, 4th January, at half-past 9 o'clock,

1600 prime fat wethers.

Wool Sale.

MORT and CO. will sell by public auction, at the Sale Rooms of their Wool Warehouses, Phillip-street, Circular Quay, THIS DAY, 3rd January, at half-past 2 o'clock,

2400 bales wool
Sheepskins.

Terms, cash.

New and Second-hand Clothing, Table and Bed Linen, Drapery, Gold and Silver Watches, Jewellery, &c.

ALEXANDER MOORE and CO. will sell by public auction, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at the Mart, Pitt-street.

The above.

FRIDAY, 5th instant.

Boots and Shoes — Boots and Shoes
Household Furniture, Glass Cases
Wardrobe, Prize Medal Cooking Stove, &c., &c.

To the Boot and Shoe Trade, Manufacturers, Country Storekeepers, Dealers, and others.

MR. M. MOLONY is instructed by Mr. Newton to sell by auction, on the premises, No. 99, Parramatta-street, on FRIDAY next, the 5th instant, at 11 o'clock sharp, without the least reserve,

The stock-in-trade of
Boots and shoes
Glass show cases
Fixtures and gasfittings
Household furniture
Splendid wardrobe
Prize medal (1862) cooking range
Bootmaker's plant
Leather rolling machine
Cutting machine
Iron and wooden lasts
Sole and heel knives, &c., &c., &c.
Terms, at sale, liberal.

The attention of the trade is especially invited to this sale; the whole stock, fittings, and goodwill, &c., will be first offered in ONE LOT, and failing a purchaser in that manner, will be sold line by line, without reserve, the proprietor leaving the trade in Sydney.

Time, 11 o'clock prompt, positively.

To Parties Furnishing, Dealers, and others.

Clearing-out Sale.—Without Reserve.

THIS DAY, 3rd January, at 11 o'clock.

H. VAUGHAN has received instructions to sell by auction (in consequence of leaving the colony), on the premises, No. 5, Williams-terrace, Bourke-street, Woolloomooloo,

Superior and useful household furniture and effects, comprising horsehair spring sofas, chairs, oval and square tables, pictures, clocks, tubular iron bedsteads, chest drawers, double washstands, cot, matting, kitchen utensils, dresseer, and sundries.

N.B.—The above furniture is nearly new, and in good order.

In Insolvent Estate of Charles James Jackson, Organ Builder.

THURSDAY, 4th January, at 11 o'clock.

H. VAUGHAN has received instructions from the Official Assignee to sell by auction, on the premises, Newtown Road, near the Toll-bar,

1 church organ, with foot-pedals, complete
1 small organ, complete
1 large and 1 small organ, unfinished
Stock-in-trade, consisting of pipes, blocks, play-handles, organ front and organ-building wire, materials, &c.
Large workshop, timber, and materials, &c.

CHINA MATTING.

On WEDNESDAY, 3rd January, at 11 o'clock.

At the Australian Auction Rooms, Pitt-street.

1000 ROLLS OF THE FINEST CHINA MATTING, ASSORTED,
4-4, 5-4, 6-4,
WHITE AND COLOURED.
Just landing in splendid order ex Canadienne.
The assortment comprises
400 Rolls 4-4 White Matting
200 ditto 5-4 ditto
100 ditto 6-4 ditto
150 ditto 4-4 Check Matting
100 ditto 5-4 ditto
50 ditto 6-4 ditto.

To Drapers, Upholsterers, Storekeepers, Shippers, and others.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have received instructions from Messrs. Smith, Brothers, to sell by auction, at their Rooms, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, 3rd January, at 11 o'clock,

Ex Canadienne.

1000 rolls China matting, white and coloured, assorted.

Terms, liberal, at sale.

DAMAGED TEAS.

On account of whom it may concern.
Ex Jane Woodburn, Stephens, master, from Foo Chow.

Under instructions from Messrs. Parbury, Lamb, and Co.
The Damaged Portion of the Cargo of
CHOICE NEW SEASON'S TEAS.
including 537 Packages.

Full Particulars at Sale.

Day of Sale, FRIDAY, 5th January.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions from Messrs. Parbury, Lamb, and Co. to sell by auction, at the Rooms, O'Connell-street, on FRIDAY, 5th January, at 11 o'clock,

Ex Jane Woodburn,

537 packages choice new teas, all more or less damaged by sea water.

Terms, cash.

REFINED SUGARS.

For Positive Sale by Public Auction,
240 Tons of
THE COLONIAL SUGAR-REFINING COMPANY'S SUGARS.

*** It is superfluous to offer any remarks in commendation of the universally approved and well-known "Company's Sugars;" the Auctioneers therefore content themselves with invoking the special attention of the Trade, and rely with confidence upon a full attendance, as the Sale is bona fide.

Day of Sale,
FRIDAY, 5th JANUARY.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB have been favoured with instructions from the Colonial Sugar Refining Company to sell by auction, at their Rooms, Pitt and O'Connell streets, on FRIDAY, 5th January, at 11 o'clock,

240 tons of the Colonial Sugar Refining Company's sugars.

Terms, liberal, at sale.

In the Estate of the late James Eddleson.

FRIDAY, 5th January, 1872, at 12 o'clock.

On the Premises, near Prout's Bridge, Canterbury.

MR. H. D. COCKBURN has received instructions from the Executors in the above estate to sell by auction, on FRIDAY, 5th January, 1872, at 12 o'clock,

The whole of that snug freehold, consisting of 4 small weatherboard tenements, known as the stores of the late B. Hartshorne, and situate close by the river.

Title, unexceptionable.
Terms, cash.
No reserve.

VALUABLE OIL PAINTINGS.

A Choice Selection from the Studios of some of the most celebrated of
MODERN PAINTERS,
and
The Gallery of a well-known Connoisseur in Yorkshire, amongst which may be found some of the works of RUBENS, GAINSBORO, FROST, CARLO DOLCI, MIGNAN, NICHOLSON, VAN EYKE, &c., &c.

FOR POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE, TO-MORROW, Thursday, January 4, 1872.

WILLIAM PRICE and CO. have been favoured with instructions to sell by public auction, at their Rooms, 329, George-street, near the Bank of New South Wales, TO-MORROW, Thursday, January 4th, at 11 o'clock,

A very valuable collection of
OIL PAINTINGS,
undoubted originals, by some of the Ancient Masters and Modern Painters, and in calling the attention of connoisseurs and others interested in the
FINE ARTS,
the auctioneers would beg to remind them that an opportunity such as the present seldom occurs here of securing genuine originals from the hands of such eminent artists.

Terms, cash.

☞ The Paintings are now on view, and catalogues ready, at the rooms of the auctioneers, 329, George-street, near the Bank of New South Wales.

46 Cases of Furniture, from the celebrated House of Thomas Miller,
Ex Border Chief and City of Madras.

WILLIAM PRICE and CO. have been favoured with instructions from Mr. John Jacobs to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 329, George-street, on FRIDAY, January 5th, 1872, at 11 o'clock,

A very superior class of furniture, consisting of
ELEGANT drawing-room suite, in silk brocade
Inlaid loo and card tables
Whatnots, with glass backs
MASSIVE oak dining-room suite, in green leather, consisting of sofa, 6 chairs, 2 easy ditto, dining table, and bookcase with secretary
MASSIVE mahogany ditto ditto ditto, in maroon leather
Dining waggons
Easy chairs
Music stools
Bedroom furniture, complete
MARBLE SLAB washstands, in birch, walnut, and mahogany, with fluted commodes; bedroom chairs, towel-horses, &c., en suite
Very superior worktables
Birch, mahogany, and walnut folding chairs
Frame-work, &c., &c.

The trade are requested to attend, as they know everything will be sold to the highest bidder, and the quality of this shipment needs no further comment, and the house from whence these goods come is a guarantee.

CONTINUATION
of
POSITIVE UNRESERVED
CLEARING-OUT SALE,
(on account of relinquishing the business)
of
EARTHENWARE
GLASSWARE
LAMPWARE
CHINA, &c.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY,
January 3rd, 1872.

WILLIAM PRICE and CO. have been favoured with instructions from Messrs. S Owen and Co. (who are about relinquishing the business), to sell by public auction, at their Warehouse, No. 544, George-street, opposite the new Town Hall, THIS DAY, Wednesday, January 3rd, 1872, at half-past 10 o'clock sharp, The entire balance of their splendid and well-assorted stock of the above, consisting of—in

EARTHENWARE.

Covered dishes, butters, plates, jugs, mugs, chambers, C. C. printed, &c.; filters, bread pans, tongue and ham pans, spirit kegs, upright bottles, foot warmers, spitteons, egg cups, granite ware, &c., &c.

GLASSWARE.

Decanters, tumblers, wines, salts, cruets, champagnes, hocks, S.W. tumblers; tots, coloured and white; &c., &c.

CHINA.

A great variety of sundries.

LAMPWARE.

Table, bracket, and hand lamps; chimneys, all sizes; wicks, assorted; globes, &c., &c.

Terms at sale.

N.B.—The entire stock has been lotted to suit purchasers, and on account of the large number of lots the Auctioneers would request their early attendance, as the sale will commence punctually at the advertised time, half-past 10, and their instructions are to sell every line without any reserve whatever.

Furniture, Pianofortes, Pictures, Fancy Goods, Toys.

HENRY MOON will sell by auction, at the Bank Auction Rooms, on SATURDAY, 6th instant, at 11 a.m.,

☞ The above.

N.B.—Cash advanced on goods for prompt sale.
*** Particulars in issue of the day.

50 CRATES EARTHENWARE.

Just landed ex Border Chief.

On FRIDAY next, 5th instant, at 11 a.m.

CHAS. MOORE and CO. are instructed to sell by auction, at their Sale Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY next,

A shipment of superior goods, landing ex Border Chief. Further particulars in due course.

☞ For Positive Unreserved Sale.

THIS DAY, January 3rd.

TO HATTERS, OUTFITTERS, AND OTHERS.

MR. CHARLES TEAKLE has been instructed to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock prompt, without reserve,

The balance of 16 cases hats and caps—
Black cavours and alpines, boys' gladstones
Black Australians, new Melbournes and cavours
Men's and boys' black cloth caps
Drab brightons, straw and tuscan under
Black and drab Yankees and Tyroleses, &c.
Terms at sale.

Sale of General Drapery, Slops, &c., &c.

WEDNESDAY, January 3rd, 1872.

Now landing ex City of Madras.

MR. CHARLES TEAKLE has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Rooms, Wynyard-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,

31 packages new and seasonable drapery, &c., comprising

34 and 36 inch, and 8-4 greys
Domestics, plain and twilled, 72, 80, 90, and 108 inches
Rough hollands
Striped drills
Blue blankets, 10-4, 11-4
Alpacas and coburgs
Men's white and regatta shirts
Byzantine and Scotch twill ditto
Moleskin trousers and pants
Black doe and melton sacs
Tweed suits, trousers and vests to match
Hosiery, towels, ties, belts, &c.

Terms at sale.

☞ Panorama of the Late War and the Pacific Railway.

WEDNESDAY, January 3rd, 1872.

☞ For Absolute, Unreserved Sale.

MR. CHARLES TEAKLE has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Rooms, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock prompt,

The above panorama, complete.

The above can be inspected at the Exhibition Building prior to sale.

Inventory of appliances can be inspected at the Rooms of the auctioneer.

Terms, cash.

NOTICE.

AUCTION SALE of Messrs. FRANCK, BROTHERS' ESTATE.

All the duty-paid goods are now at the Stores of the auctioneers for inspection by intending purchasers.

R. F. STUBBS and CO.

THIS DAY.

MAURITIUS SUGARS.

In small and large Mats.

Finest Snowdrops
Finest White Crystals
Bright Yellow Crystals
Best White Counters
Yellow Counters.

The entire cargo of the barque CONDOR.
Just arrived from Port Louis,
comprising
3261 Large Mats
7191 Small ditto.

For Positive Sale, at the City Mart, on WEDNESDAY, January 3rd, 1872, under instructions from Messrs. M'Donald, Smith, and Co.

Sample Mats now open at the Rooms.

This cargo will be found most suitable for the present requirements of the Sydney trade.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the City Mart, THIS DAY, January 3, 1872, at 11 o'clock,

The entire cargo of the barque Condor, from Mauritius, comprising

3261 large mats
7191 small pockets.

Embracing sugars of the finest quality and grain.

Full particulars at sale.
Terms liberal.

Finest Mill-dressed Java Table Rice.

The finest Sample in the Market.

By order of the Importers.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, January 3, at 11 o'clock,

280 bags finest Java rice,

The only parcel of this quality in the market.

In lots to suit purchasers.

Terms, liberal.

Morton's 1-lb. Red and Black Currant Jelly.

In a Trust Estate.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,

20 cases Morton's superior 1-lb black and red currant jelly, each 4 dozen.

In lots to suit purchasers.

Terms, cash.

For Unreserved Sale.

The fine ship TOKATEA,
carries 1400 tons,
well found in gear, stores, &c., &c.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. have received instructions from A. S. Webster, Esq., to sell by auction, at the Rooms, on WEDNESDAY, January 10th, 1872, at 11 o'clock,

The fine fast sailing ship TOKATEA, of 1400 tons burthen, daily expected to arrive.

By advices she is represented to be an excellent and most suitable vessel for eastern trade work.

Particulars with inventory at sale.

In the Assigned Estate of Messrs. FRANCK, BROTHERS, and CO.

Highly Important Two Days' Sale, comprising—
7988 Packages.

CONGOU TEAS
ORANGE PEKOES
FINEST WHITE CRYSTAL SUGARS
YELLOW CRYSTAL SUGARS
RATION DITTO
MARTELL'S BRANDY, in bulk
HENNESSY'S BRANDY, bulk and case
LOWNDES' RUM
WOOLPACKS
CORNSACKS
STARCH, BLUE
PICKLES, OIL STORES
WAX VESTAS, &c.

In fact, every line to be found in a well-assorted stock.

For UNRESERVED SALE, at the CITY MART, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 4th and 5th January, 1872.

Removed to the Rooms for convenience of Buyers.

An opportunity is offered to the town and country trades for replenishing their stocks at the NEW YEAR with really first-class well selected goods.

Every line will be cleared out to the HIGHEST BIDDER.

*** The teas in this catalogue may be regarded as among the best selections to be met with in any wholesale warehouse in Sydney, embracing the choicest lots from most of the late cargoes.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at the City Mart, on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 4th and 5th January, 1872, sale commencing at 11 o'clock each day,

The entire stock-in-trade in the assigned estate of Messrs. Franck, Brothers, and Co.

Full particulars in catalogues now ready.
Terms liberal.

Cocoanut Oil
Black Oil
Copra
ex Schooner Diahot.

R. F. STUBBS and CO. will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on THURSDAY, January 4, at half-past 10 o'clock,

30 tuns superior black oil
15 ditto ditto cocoanut oil
15 tons copra.

Particulars at sale.

PEREMPTORY SALE.

BUCKLAND-STREET, WATERLOO.
Brick and Weatherboard Cottage, containing 5 rooms.

TITLE—93 years' lease, subject to a ground rent of £2 12s per annum.
Terms at sale.

RAYNES, TREEVE, and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at MORT'S ROOMS, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on WEDNESDAY, 10th JANUARY,

The residue of 93 years' lease of a brick and weatherboard cottage, No. 2, BUCKLAND-STREET, WATERLOO, containing 5 rooms.

☞ A snug little leasehold in a thriving locality, well adapted for a man of limited capital desirous of securing a homestead of his own.

PEREMPTORY SALE.

ROSSER-STREET, off MULLINS-STREET, BALMAIN.

SNUG WEATHERBOARD COTTAGE containing 3 rooms, presently in the occupation of Mr. E. Barnes.

TITLE—Unquestionable. TERMS at sale.

RAYNES, TREEVE, and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at Mort's Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on WEDNESDAY, 10th JANUARY,

That snug freehold property situate in ROSSER-STREET, off Mullens-street, BALMAIN, comprising a faithfully-built weatherboard cottage, with shingled roof, containing front and back verandah, porch, passage, and 3 rooms, with workshop at rear. The house is spouted round, and is in every respect a desirable little freehold, and as such is recommended to the attention of those in search of such a property in this locality.

POSITIVE SALE.

No. 201, SOUTH HEAD ROAD, close to Bourke-street, and occupied by Mr. T. T. M'Menemy, plumber.

Title unquestionable. Terms at sale.

RAYNES, TREEVE, and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at Mort's Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on WEDNESDAY, 10th JANUARY,

That capital freehold messuage, No. 201, SOUTH HEAD ROAD, built of brick on stone foundations, and now occupied by Mr. T. T. M'Menemy.

☞ This property is admirably situated, in a neighbourhood where property is advancing almost daily in value, and can be confidently recommended as a GOOD INVESTMENT for all who may be in search of such.

POSITIVE SALE.

CHOICE CORNER FREEHOLD PROPERTY, situate at BALMAIN, at the corner of DARLING and ANN STREETS, formerly occupied and known as

THE ALBION HOTEL.

TITLE, unquestionable. TERMS at sale.

RAYNES, TREEVE, and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at MORT'S ROOMS, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on WEDNESDAY, 10th January,

That choice freehold, situate at the corner of DARLING and ANN STREETS, BALMAIN, known as THE ALBION HOTEL.

This property is built of brick, cemented, on stone foundations, with slated roof, and contains in the basement ample cellarage. On the ground-floor—bar, hall, and 3 rooms. On first-floor—large billiard-room, and 2 bedrooms, and balcony and 2 good attic rooms above.

The fixtures, which are complete in their way, will be sold with the property.

☞ This is without doubt a really good freehold, in a capital position, and in the hands of those understanding the business, might be made to realise a handsome competency. It is in the market for POSITIVE SALE, the present proprietor having determined to realise.

POSITIVE SALE.

VICTORIA-PLACE, OFF SUSSEX-STREET.

Snug City Freehold, containing 4 rooms and kitchen, now in the occupation of Mrs. White.

TITLE Unquestionable. TERMS at Sale.

RAYNES, TREEVE, and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at Mort's Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock, on WEDNESDAY, January 10,

That snug little freehold situate in VICTORIA-PLACE, off SUSSEX-STREET, built of brick and stone, containing 4 rooms and kitchen, now in the occupation of Mrs. White.

This is a good opportunity for any one of small means to secure a Freehold Property in a central position. The property is in the market for Positive Sale, in consequence of the present proprietor having removed from Sydney.

To Small Capitalists and others.

A Splendid Investment.

CLARENCE RIVER DISTRICT.

For Positive Sale,
by order of the Executors of the late P. Sullivan.

MODEM,
or
ROCKY RIVER RUN,
Area, 14,400 Acres.
Together with 1200 head of Cattle, more or less.

MYLERA RUN,
Area, 35,200 Acres.
Together with 1300 head of Cattle, more or less.

☞ Well-bred Horses.

Working Plant of Station to be taken at Valuation.

G. T. HEYDON has received instructions from the executors of the late P. Sullivan, and will sell by public auction, at his Rooms, corner of Rouse and High streets, Tenterfield, on SATURDAY, 27th January, 1872, at 12 o'clock,

Without reserve,

The above-mentioned Runs.

ROCKY RIVER.—The improvements consist of house and stockyards, at Wangilbung; stockyard at Modem Head Station; large tailing yard at Modem Flat.

MYLERA.—Stockyard at Nicholson's Creek,—yard at Mylera.

☞ The country is of the richest fattening description, and is capable of carrying from 4000 to 5000 head of cattle,—splendidly watered, the river running through both runs, a distance of forty miles. Back creeks in abundance. Intending purchasers are asked to inspect this property, it being out of the reach of free selection, and having a market on the ground for about TEN HEAD per week.

☞ The auctioneer would draw the attention of intending purchasers to the fact that the above runs are some of the very few isolated districts free from the free selector, and are within easy access of Grafton and the Ramornie Boiling Down Establishment.

☞ There has been no expense spared in the breeding of cattle, the late P. Sullivan being a thoroughly practical man, and allowed to be one of the best judges in the New England district.

During the whole of the drought, these stations have never been known to be short of grass—the situation being among the mountains which contain springs sufficient always to ensure a plentiful supply of grass.

Terms at sale.

SECOND ANNUAL SALE
of the
MARIBYRNONG YEARLINGS,
The Property of GEORGE W. PETTY, Esq.

THURSDAY, 4th January, 1872,

At Maribyrnong Stud Farm, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

THE undersigned has been favoured with instructions from the breeder to sell by auction, Without any reserve,

The following highly-bred yearlings:—

Lot 1. Brown filly, by Maribyrnong, out of Nightlight (the dam of Lantern, My Dream, and Sunshine)
Lot 2. Bay colt, by Fireworks, out of Rose de Florence (the dam of Ferryman, Maribyrnong, Fenella, and King of the Ring)
Lot 3. Bay filly, by Fireworks, out of Art Union, by Ferryman, out of Gildersmire
Lot 4. Bay colt, by Fireworks, out of Sylvia, by Fisherman, out of Juliet (the dam of Charon)
Lot 5. Bay colt, by Fireworks, out of Chrysolite (the dam of Cleolite and Derby)
Lot 6. Bay colt, by Fireworks, out of Lady Heron (the dam of Beatrice and Argus Scandal)
Lot 7. Chesnut filly, by Fireworks, out of Tricolour (the dam of Orifiamme, Norma, &c.)
Lot 8. Bay colt, by Fireworks, out of The Fly (sister to Angler and Fishhook)
Lot 9. Bay colt, by Fireworks, out of Fair Eden (the dam of Firetail, Toryboy, Freestone, &c.)
Lot 10. Brown colt, by Maribyrnong, out of Lady Manners Sutton (by Pitsford, out of Green Linnet).
Lot 11. Brown filly, by Yattendon, out of Nutcut (the dam of Al, &c.) Yattendon is the sire of Javelin, the winner of the last A. J. C. Derby.

It is with much pleasure the Auctioneer gives publicity to this second annual sale of the Maribyrnong yearlings, which will, as before, be without any reserve. Further, it is almost unnecessary to offer any comment upon these youngsters of most illustrious descent, except to tell intending buyers that they have already been submitted to the critical inspection of a number of the most competent and impartial judges in Australia, and their unanimous opinion is, that for quality, power, and development they have never been approached in these colonies or surpassed in England.

Intending purchasers are cordially invited to inspect the stock, between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m.

JOHN GEO. DOUGHARTY (successor to Kaye and Butchart).

TO THE PUBLIC OF AUSTRALIA.

To be sold by auction at Melbourne,
On FRIDAY, the 12th January, 1872,

The THOROUGHBRED STUD
of
the late JOHN MOFFATT, Esq.

JOHN GEORGE DOUGHARTY has been favoured with instructions from the Trustees in the Estate of the abovenamed, to sell by auction on the day stated,

The whole of the blood horses and mares, colonial and imported, the latter including the famous English sire, TIM WHIFFLER, as follows:—

IMPORTED STOCK.

1. STITCH IN TIME, bay mare, aged, by the Cure, dam Jenna's, by Touchstone, stinted to Fire works.
2. CERVA, bay mare, aged, by Venison, dam Cymbe, by Melbourne, stinted to Angler.
3. NUNCIA, bay mare, 7 years, by Nuncio, dam Fatima, by Elis; in foal to Knight of the Garter. Nuncio, by Newminster. Newminster, winner of St. Leger, in 1851, by Touchstone; sire of many winners; great favourite in England, all stout runners; none of the breed in the colony. Elis, winner of St. Leger in 1836. Knight of the Garter, by Prime Minister, out of Boarding School Miss, dam of Rose de Florence, winner of Chester Cup and other races. A very much thought of young sire.
4. CANTATA, bay mare, 5 years, by Monarque, dam Songstress, in foal to Lanaret, by Newminster. Lanaret, a young sire, much prized for his fine looks and blood. Sold last year for 1000 guineas, to go to the Continent.
5. AZEMA, bay mare, 5 years, by Flying Dutchman, dam Arrogant, in foal to Julius. Julius, a fine son of Stockwell, a great performer; considered one of the best sires of England.
6. PARASINE, chesnut, 5 years, by Nabob, out of Partlet, by Birdcatcher, in foal to Thormanby. Thormanby, by Melbourne or Windhound, out of Alice Hawthorn. Winner of Derby, &c., &c., and sire of many winners. A very fashionable stallion.
7. GIRONDE, bay filly, 3 years, by Monarque, dam Miss Ion, by Ion. Monarque, French horse, winner of Goodwood Cup, &c., sire of Gladiateur, winner of Derby and St. Leger, and other great races; best horse in England; stands at 100 guineas a mare Ion, very stout blood, sire of Wild Dayrell, &c., &c.
8. PATRIE, bay filly, 3 years, by Gladiateur, dam Chevrette, by Wild Dayrell. Wild Dayrell, by Ion. Winner of Derby; sire of many winners in England.

Lots 7 and 8, 3-year-olds, are both in training, and give every promise of being first-class animals.

9. ETINCELLE, bay filly, 3 years, by Plutus, dam Aricie, French mare.

FUNERALS.

ROYAL UNITED BROTHERS, Lodge No. 3892, I. O. O. F., M. U.—The Officers and Brethren of the above Lodge, together with the Officers and Brethren of the various Lodges, are invited to attend the FUNERAL of our late Brother W. GORMAN; to move from No. 13, Wood's-lane, Woollocmooloo, at half-past 2, on THURSDAY, January 4. Brethren to meet at the Hall at half-past 1. J. PRESDEE, N. G.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. WILLIAM B. GORMAN are invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, Woods-lane, off Palmer-street, Woollocmooloo, on THURSDAY AFTERNOON, at quarter-past 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. J. and G. SHYING and CO., 719, George-st. S.; 120, S. H. Road.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM BONUS are invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Bridget; to move from his residence, Botany Road, Waterloo, near Raglan-street, on THURSDAY AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. J. and G. SHYING and CO., 719 George-st. S., and 60, Riley-st.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. FRANCIS WILLIAMS are invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SON, John Frederick, to move from his residence, No. 13, Judge-street, Woollocmooloo, THIS (Wednesday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock. J. and G. SHYING and CO., Undertakers, 719, George-st. South, and S. H. Road.

THE FRIENDS of the deceased Mr. GEORGE ANTHONY KIRCHNER are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, No. 49, Francis-street, Woollocmooloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter-past 2 o'clock. THOMAS, Undertaker, 141, York-street, near Wesleyan Chapel.

THE FRIENDS of HUGH FRASER, Esq., are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased WIFE, Anne Mary (daughter of the late Henry Linden, Esq., of Burwood); to move from his residence, "River View Cottage," Burwood, on FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 5th instant, at a quarter-past 2 o'clock, to the Catholic Cemetery, Petersham. JAMES CURTIS, Undertaker, 69, Hunter-street.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. GEORGE THOMSON, Butcher, are invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved DAUGHTER, Amy Beatrice; to move from his residence, Botany Road, Waterloo, THIS (Wednesday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2, for the Necropolis. J. and G. SHYING and CO., 120, South Head Road.

AMUSEMENTS.

ROYAL VICTORIA THEATRE.
Financial Manager, Mr. JOHN BENNETT.
Scenic Artist, HERR HABBE.
Director and Stage Manager, Mr. GEORGE DARRELL.

"GOOD WINE NEEDS NO BUSH."
It is needless to reiterate the fact the Theatre is every night
CROWDED TO OVERFLOWING,
or that the
BEST PATOMIME EVER PRODUCED IN THE COLONIES
is in every department a
BRILLIANT AND TRIUMPHANT SUCCESS.

See Habbe's Magnificent Transformation Scene.
COUNTLESS THOUSANDS!!
turned away nightly!!
COUNTLESS THOUSANDS!!;
who have witnessed its presentation unanimously award it the
PALM OF SUPERIORITY,
and greet it with
ROARS OF LAUGHTER,
THUNDERS OF APPLAUSE,
UNBOUNDED APPROBATION,
ENTHUSIASTIC ADMIRATION
of the original
OPERATIC FAIRY EXTRAVAGANZA,
written expressly for this theatre, by
GARNET WALCH,
entitled
TROOKULENTOS,
The Tempter; or Harlequin Cockatoo, the Demon Discontent, the good Fairy of Contentment, and four-leaved Shamrock of Australia,
pronounced by the unanimous verdict of all present to be the
GREATEST SUCCESS EVER ACHIEVED
by any
THEATRICAL MANAGEMENT IN AUSTRALIA.

The Magnificent and Unequalled Scenic Representations from the master brush of
HERR HABBE.
The original, adapted, and appropriate Music, written and arranged by
Mr. JOHN HILL, K.S., R.A.M.
The whole supervised and produced under the sole direction of
Mr. GEORGE DARRELL.

Great success of
Miss ALICIA MANDEVILLE
(La Belle Americaine).
Enthusiastic reception of
MISS LYDIA HOWARDE,
the great Soprano Prima Donna.

NEW FACES! NEW FACES!! NEW FACES!!!
and the special engagement of
TWO STAR BURLESQUE ACTRESSES,
warrant the Management in
DEFYING COMPETITION,
SURPASSING ANY OTHER PRODUCTION,
and maintaining the position that the
ROYAL VICTORIA THEATRE
has lately achieved, by the excellence and completeness of its presentations placed on its boards, of
THE PREMIER PLACE OF AMUSEMENT IN THE COLONY.

The Pantomime will commence at 8 o'clock sharp.
For the immense caste of the opening and harlequinade, synopsis of scenery, &c., see books and bills.

MILLION PRICES! MILLION PRICES!!! MILLION PRICES!!!
Circle, 3s; stalls, 2s; pit and boxes, 1s; gallery, 6d.
Children, half-price to all but gallery.

NEXT GRAND MORNING PERFORMANCE, SATURDAY next, at half-past 2.

Secure your seats at the BOX OFFICE and at ELVY'S.

MADAME STATES'S PROMENADE OPERATIC CARNIVAL,
EXHIBITION BUILDING.
WANTED, 400 CHORISTERS. Apply at once to
John Bennett,
Victoria Theatre.

SCHOOL OF ARTS.
THE GILLS.
The Protean Entertainists,
MR. AND MRS. W. B. GILL,
will make their first appearance in the colonies at the above Hall on the evening of
MONDAY, January 8, 1872,
in their new, original, and sparkling Entertainment,
LAUGHING FACES!
assisted by the accomplished Pianist,
Mrs. J. B. ASHETON.

WHAT IS IT?
Is the Howard Paul's?—No!
Is the German Reed's?—No!
Is it ——— Anybody else?—No!
It is simply a la "THE GILLS!"

Doors open at 7 30 p.m., commence at 8 p.m. punctually.
Seats may be secured at Messrs. ELVY and CO.'S.
Carriages may be ordered for 10.30.
PRICES OF ADMISSION:—Reserved seats, 3s; body of hall, 2s; gallery, 1s.
Mr. OLIVER DERRING, Agent.

SPENCER'S MECHANICAL and WAXWORKS EXHIBITION,—Just added, a splendid collection of 60 Wax Figures, Automaton Singing Bird, &c.
Mechanical and Scientific Wonders, Glass Blowing, Glass Spinning, &c., &c.
Admission, 1s. Children under 10, half-price.

EXCURSION from SYDNEY and MANLY to MIDDLE HARBOUR.—PAROCHIAL PICNIC, TO-MORROW, Thursday, January 4th.
The steamer BROADALBANE will convey Excursionists from SYDNEY and MANLY, and proceed up MIDDLE HARBOUR, and then land passengers at PEARL BAY or CLONTARF, as wished.
Tickets: From Sydney, 2s 6d; from Manly, 1s 6d; Children (under 10), from Sydney, 1s 3d; from Manly, 9d.
The Broadalbane will leave Circular Quay at 9.30, and Manly at 10.30.

ANNUAL PICNIC to the CHILDREN of the SYDNEY HEBREW DAY and SABBATH SCHOOLS to CHOWDER BAY, will take place on WEDNESDAY, 10th January, 1872. The powerful and commodious steamer COSSA will leave Circular Quay at 9 and 11 a.m., and 4 p.m. RETURN TICKETS, 2s 6d each, can be obtained from J. ISAACS and CO., 605, George-street, or any member of the committee.

CAFE CHANTANT.—Open every evening with the most attractive Entertainments. Admission by card 6d.

CAFE CHANTANT.—Barry O'Neil, the distingué in his choicest illustrations of the Gent. of the Period.

CAFE CHANTANT.—Johnny Cowan's "Bal d' Afrique," to-night. Secure tickets early. Com. at 9 30.

CAFE CHANTANT.—Miss Annie Milner's new song, "Why shouldn't we be jolly?" To night.

CAFE CHANTANT.—Loyal the miraculous, terrific feat of travelling bicycle on wire in mid air.

SCANDINAVIAN MUSIC HALL.—TO-NIGHT, singing, dancing, negro delineations, burlesques, &c.

SCANDINAVIAN MUSIC HALL, Castlereagh-street. —Open EVERY EVENING. Admission—FREE.

PRINCE OF WALES OPERA HOUSE
Tickets for all parts of the House to be had daily at the Box Office for any evening during the Pantomime, to prevent crowding at the doors.

19,200 people have already testified their appreciation of the perfectness and grandeur of the Pantomime of 1871.

The GRANDEST PANTOMIME yet PRODUCED.

MARVELLOUS EFFECTS, BEAUTY, CHILDREN.

BALLETS, MARCHES, The TRIUMPH OF TRIUMPHS.
GRAND COMBINATION OF PANTOMIMISTS.

CHILDREN'S PANTOMIME. CHILDREN'S PANTOMIME. CHILDREN'S PANTOMIME.

The transformation is a perfect marvel of the painter's art and mechanical construction. The Silver Trellised Dell in the Australian Fernery, painted by W. J. Wilson, assisted by Alfred Clint and assistants; the gigantic machinery by John Reano and Sons.

THIS EVENING, at 8 punctually,
the most gorgeous Pantomime
THE HOUSE THAT JACK BUILT,
or
Harlequin Jack Sydney, Little Australia,
and the Gnome of the Gold Mine, and the Australian Fernery in the Golden Conservatory,
the Home of Diamantina.
The whole produced under the personal superintendence of
Mr. JAMES J. BARTLETT,
supported by the most refined company of Lady and Gentlemen Artistes ever brought together in Sydney.

GRAND BALLET BY 26 LADIES.
A most chaste and elegantly arranged performance.

Mr. CHARLES YOUNG in his NEW LOCAL SONG.

The GRAND TRANSFORMATION contains Eleven CHANGES, concluding with a gorgeous revolving sun. For description see SYDNEY MORNING HERALD, January 1st, 1872.
The Management beg to call attention to the fact that they have produced THREE Grand Scenes in this year's Pantomime, independent of all the other new Paintings.
The Comic Scenes are models of cleverness, and worth the while of all the patrons to witness the great improvement the management have made in this portion of the pantomime.

Inspection of
SIR JAMES MARTIN'S DEFENCE CORPS
by TWENTY-TWO CHILDREN.
GRAND TRANSFORMATION SCENE,
Harlequinade—Messrs. M'Lean, Hasker, and G. Simms. Mdlles. M'Keown and Mary Forde.
The Golden Conservatory and Temple of Gems, the abode of the Fairy Queen, Diamantina (W. J. Wilson).

Seats can be secured now for the Second Morning Performance, SATURDAY, January 6th.

MASONIC HALL.
GRAND COMPLIMENTARY and FAREWELL CONCERT to
Miss LUCY CHAMBERS,
on WEDNESDAY, January 3, 1872,
prior to her departure from the colony, tendered by the following gentlemen:—
Sir James Martin, Q.C.
Mr. Justice Faucett
Judge Simpson
Dep.-Com. H. B. A. Middleton
Captain Airey, N. S. W. A.
W. G. Laidley, Esq.
G. G. Dean Thomson, Esq.
Henry Dangar, Esq.
Robert Stubbs, Esq.
Henry Moore, Esq.
S. A. Joseph, Esq.
Frederick Cape, Esq.
Daniel Cooper, Esq.
Sydney Want, Esq.
T. A. Dibbs, Esq.
Alfred Garrick, Esq.

The following artists have kindly consented to assist Miss Chambers on this occasion:—
Mrs. CONDUIT
Mr. ANDREW FAIRFAX
Mr. WILKIE
Mr. LAURENCE SIMMONS
Mr. JOHN HILL, K.C., R.A.M.

Tickets to be had at Messrs. ELVY and CO.'S, George-street.
Price—Reserved seats, 6s.
Back seats, 4s.
Gallery, 2s.

PROGRAMME.
FIRST PART.
1. Pianoforte Solo ..... Mr. HILL.
2. Scena:—"All is lost" (Sonnambula) ..... Bellini
Mr. WILKIE.
3. Scena and Cavatina—"Ah quel giorno" (Semiramide) ..... Rossini
Miss LUCY CHAMBERS.
4. Scena—"Ah Dei verd' anni" (Ernani) ..... Verdi
Mr. LAURENCE SIMMONS.
5. Song—"Toqui" ..... Schira
Mrs. CONDUIT.
6. Song—"Let me love thee" ..... Arditi
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Mr. WILKIE.
5. Song—"The Nightingale's trill" ..... Ganz
Mrs. CONDUIT.
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Mr. FAIRFAX.
7. Song—"Alas, those Chimes" ..... Wallace
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